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PUBLIC RESOLUTION NO. 249, SEVENTY-SEVENTH CONGRESS

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*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That Public Resolution Numbered 126 (46 Stat. 1481), approved March 2, 1931 (U. S. C., title 44, sec. 275 B), authorizing the printing of the proceedings of the national encampments of certain veterans' organizations in the United States, be, and is hereby amended to read as follows:

"That hereafter the proceeding of the national encampments of the Grand Army of the Republic, the United Spanish War Veterans, the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, the American Legion, the Military Order of the Purple Heart, and the Disabled American Veterans of the World War, respectively, shall be printed annually, with accompanying illustrations, as separate House documents of the session of the Congress to which they may be submitted."

Approved, September 18, 1941.

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## LETTER OF SUBMITTAL

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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Springfield, Ill., August 22, 1942.*

To the SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES :

Pursuant to the provisions of Public Resolution No. 249, Seventy-seventh Congress, approved September 18, 1941, there is transmitted herewith the Journal of the Proceedings of the Seventy-fifth National Encampment, held at Columbus, Ohio, September 14-19, 1941, which is submitted for printing as a House Document.

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,  
*Adjutant General.*



ENCAMPMENT ROLL  
LIST OF COMMITTEES

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## MEMBERSHIP, SEVENTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

The total number of names appearing on the roll of the Seventy-fifth National Encampment, as shown by the following table, is 329. Deducting previously reported, 104, the net voting strength is 225.

National officers, past national officers, and departments	De- part- ment offi- cers	Dele- gates	Past depart- ment com- mand- ers	Past senior vice depart- ment com- mand- ers	Past junior vice depart- ment com- mand- ers	Total	De- duct pre- vious- ly re- ported	Net voting strength
National officers entitled to vote-----						10	-----	10
National council of adminis- tration-----						33	-----	33
Past commanders in chief-----						3	1	2
Past senior vice commanders in chief-----						4	3	1
Past Junior vice commanders in chief-----						6	5	1
Past surgeon general-----						1	-----	1
Past adjutants general-----						2	-----	2
Arkansas-----	1					1	1	0
California and Nevada-----	4	3	8		3	18	4	14
Colorado and Wyoming-----	4	1	3			8	3	5
Connecticut-----	4	1	5			10	4	6
Delaware-----	4	1				5	1	4
Florida-----	4	1	5			10	5	5
Idaho-----	3		3			6	3	3
Illinois-----	4	2	3		2	11	4	7
Indiana-----	4	2	1	1	3	11	3	8
Iowa-----	4	2	3			9	4	5
Kansas-----	4	1	3	1		9	3	6
Kentucky-----	1		1			2	2	0
Maine-----	4	2	5			11	3	8
Maryland-----								
Massachusetts-----	4	2	5			11	2	9
Michigan-----	4	2	4	1	1	12	2	10
Minnesota-----	4	1	1	2	1	9	2	7
Missouri-----	4	1	2		2	9	4	5
Nebraska-----	4	2	3			9	1	8
New Hampshire-----	4		2			6	3	3
New Jersey-----	4	1	1			6	2	4
New York-----	4	3	5		2	14	4	10
North Dakota-----	2		3			5	5	0
Ohio-----	4	2	4		1	11	1	10
Oklahoma-----	4	2	1			7	2	5
Oregon-----	4	1	2			7	4	3
Pennsylvania-----	4	1	3	1		9	6	3
Rhode Island-----	3					3	1	2
South Dakota-----								
Texas-----	4	1	2			7	3	4
Utah-----	1		1			2	2	0
Vermont-----	3		2			5	3	2
Washington and Alaska-----	4	2	4			10	4	6
West Virginia-----	4	1	1			6	2	4
Wisconsin-----	4	1	3			8	2	6
Members at large-----						3	-----	3
Total-----	118	39	89	6	15	329	104	225





# ROLL OF SEVENTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

COLUMBUS, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 14-19, 1941

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## NATIONAL OFFICERS

*Commander in Chief*

WILLIAM W. NIXON <sup>1</sup>  
Jewell, Kans.

*Senior Vice Commander in Chief*

THOMAS AMBROSE <sup>1</sup>  
Chicago, Ill.

*Junior Vice Commander in Chief*

RUSTAN O. REED <sup>1</sup>  
Seattle, Wash.

*Surgeon General*

DR. EDWARD H. COWAN <sup>1</sup>  
Crawfordsville, Ind.

*Chaplain in Chief*

REV. JOSHUA C. PEARCE <sup>1</sup>  
Denver, Colo.

*Adjutant General*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN  
Los Angeles, Calif.

*Quartermaster General*

J. A. HAMILTON  
Lansing, Mich.

*Judge Advocate General*

T. J. NOLL <sup>1</sup>  
Des Moines, Iowa

*Inspector General*

JOSEPH B. HENNINGER  
Indianapolis, Ind.

*National Patriotic Instructor*

THEODORE A. PENLAND <sup>1</sup>  
Portland, Oreg.

*Assistant Adjutant General*JOHN SHEARER <sup>1 3</sup>

Houston, Tex.

*Chief of Staff*THOMAS RIDENOUR <sup>1 5</sup>

Crestline, Ohio

*Senior Aide de Camp*LYMAN E. BUTTERFIELD <sup>1 6</sup>

Manchester, N. H.

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<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>3</sup> Entitled to vote as department commander of Texas.

<sup>5</sup> Entitled to vote as past department commander of Ohio.

<sup>6</sup> Entitled to vote as department commander of New Hampshire.

## NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

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Arkansas : Alonzo Todd, Little Rock, Ark.  
California and Nevada : J. S. Dumser,<sup>1</sup> Oakland, Calif.  
Colorado and Wyoming : Lewis H. Easterly,<sup>1</sup> Gunnison, Colo.  
Connecticut : Truman N. Parsons,<sup>1</sup> Stratford, Conn.  
Delaware : Joseph M. Showalter, Oxford, Pa.  
Florida : C. J. Rose, Miami, Fla.  
Idaho : Albert G. Jones,<sup>1</sup> Boise, Idaho.  
Illinois : Wm. P. Lockwood, Kankakee, Ill.  
Indiana : Dr. John H. Stone,<sup>1</sup> Indianapolis, Ind.  
Iowa : Dr. Wm. H. Earnest, Seymour, Iowa.  
Kansas : T. B. Williams,<sup>1</sup> Chapman, Kans.  
Kentucky : R. R. Graham,<sup>1</sup> Madisonville, Ky.  
Maine : John W. Fogler,<sup>1</sup> Skowhegan, Maine.  
Maryland :  
Massachusetts : George A. Gay,<sup>1</sup> Boston, Mass.  
Michigan : Martin J. Warner,<sup>1</sup> Grand Rapids, Mich.  
Minnesota : Charles H. Perry,<sup>1</sup> Minneapolis, Minn.  
Missouri : Jno. Hollingsworth,<sup>1</sup> Kansas City, Mo.  
Nebraska : A. F. Rexroad, Omaha, Nebr.  
New Hampshire : Frank E. Amadon,<sup>1</sup> Keene, N. H.  
New Jersey : William H. McCoy,<sup>1</sup> Trenton, N. J.  
New York : Thomas H. Stritch,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn, N. Y.  
North Dakota : D. G. Duell, Devils Lake, N. Dak.  
Ohio : Byron W. Joslin,<sup>1</sup> Sidney, Ohio.  
Oklahoma : E. H. Sawyer,<sup>1</sup> Minco, Okla.  
Oregon : Henry Hopkins, Portland, Oreg.  
Pennsylvania : A. W. Gabrio,<sup>1</sup> Hazelton, Pa.  
Rhode Island : Edward S. Gillett, Providence, R. I.  
South Dakota :  
Texas : John Shearer,<sup>1</sup> Houston, Tex.  
Utah : Ira Stormes,<sup>1</sup> Salt Lake City, Utah.  
Vermont : Charles Heyer,<sup>1</sup> St. Johnsbury, Vt.  
Washington and Alaska : George L. Foster, Seattle, Wash.  
West Virginia : A. T. McMurray,<sup>1</sup> Washington, W. Va.  
Wisconsin : A. R. Kibbe,<sup>1</sup> New Richmond, Wis.

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<sup>1</sup> Present.

## PAST NATIONAL OFFICERS

### PAST COMMANDERS IN CHIEF

B. F. Stephenson, <sup>2</sup> (provisional) (died Aug. 30, 1871)	1866
S. A. Hurlburt, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Mar. 27, 1882)	1866-67
John A. Logan, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Dec. 26, 1886)	1868-70
Ambrose E. Burnside, <sup>2</sup> Rhode Island (died Sept. 18, 1881)	1871-72
Charles Devens, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Jan. 7, 1892)	1873-74
John F. Hartranft, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Oct. 17, 1899)	1875-76
John C. Robinson, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Feb. 18, 1897)	1877-78
William Earnshaw, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 17, 1885)	1879
Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914)	1880
George S. Merrill, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Feb. 17, 1900)	1881
Paul Van Dervoort, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died July 29, 1902)	1882
Robert B. Beath, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Nov. 25, 1924)	1883
John S. Kountz, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died June 14, 1909)	1884
Samuel S. Burdett, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died Sept. 24, 1914)	1885
Lucius Fairchild, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died May 22, 1896)	1886
John P. Rea, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died May 28, 1900)	1887
William Warner, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died Oct. 4, 1916)	1888
Russell A. Alger, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died Jan. 24, 1907)	1889
Wheelock G. Veazey, <sup>2</sup> Vermont (died Mar. 22, 1898)	1890
John Palmer, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Apr. 15, 1905)	1891
A. G. Weissert, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Apr. 24, 1923)	1892
John G. B. Adams, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Oct. 19, 1900)	1893
Thomas G. Lawler, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Feb. 3, 1908)	1894
Ivan N. Walker, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Sept. 22, 1905)	1895
T. S. Clarkson, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died Jan. 16, 1915)	1896
John P. S. Gobin, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died May 10, 1910)	1897
James A. Sexton, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died in office, Feb. 5, 1899)	1898
W. C. Johnson, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Apr. 27, 1917)	1899
Albert D. Shaw, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Feb. 10, 1901)	1899
Leo Rassieur, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died June 1, 1929)	1900
Ell Torrance, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died Feb. 18, 1932)	1901
Thomas J. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Sept. 11, 1917)	1902
John C. Black, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Aug. 17, 1915)	1903
Wilmon W. Blackmar, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died in office, July 16, 1905)	1904
John R. King, <sup>2</sup> Maryland (died Mar. 3, 1934)	1905
James Tanner, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Oct. 2, 1927)	1905
Robert B. Brown, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 30, 1916)	1906
Charles G. Burton, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died Feb. 25, 1926)	1907
Henry N. Nevius, <sup>2</sup> New Jersey (died Jan. 28, 1911)	1908
Samuel R. Van Sant, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died Oct. 3, 1936)	1909
John E. Gilman, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Feb. 20, 1921)	1910
Harvey M. Trimble, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Jan. 10, 1918)	1911
Alfred B. Beers, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 31, 1920)	1912
Washington Gardner, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died Mar. 31, 1928)	1913
David J. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> Iowa (died Nov. 5, 1928)	1914
Elias A. Monfort, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 29, 1920)	1915
W. J. Patterson, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Nov. 6, 1926)	1916
Orlando A. Somers, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died June 9, 1921)	1917
Clarendon E. Adams, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died Feb. 23, 1924)	1918
James D. Bell, <sup>2</sup> New York (died in office, Nov. 1, 1919)	1919
Daniel M. Hall, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Oct. 19, 1925)	1919

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.



## PAST COMMANDERS IN CHIEF—Continued

William A. Ketcham, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Dec. 27, 1921) .....	1920
Lewis S. Pilcher, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Dec. 24, 1934) .....	1921
James W. Willett, <sup>2</sup> Iowa (died May 13, 1940) .....	1922
Gaylord M. Saltzgaber, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Aug. 25, 1930) .....	1923
Louis F. Arensberg, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Sept. 20, 1934) .....	1924
John B. Inman, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Dec. 15, 1929) .....	1925
Frank A. Walsh, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Mar. 5, 1932) .....	1926
Elbridge L. Hawk, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Aug. 13, 1930) .....	1927
John Reese, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died July 5, 1935) .....	1928
Edwin J. Foster, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Sept. 11, 1939) .....	1929
James E. Jewel, <sup>2</sup> Colorado (died Nov. 7, 1939) .....	1930
Samuel P. Town, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died July 9, 1937) .....	1931
William P. Wright, <sup>2</sup> (died in office, June 15, 1933) .....	1932
Russell C. Martin, <sup>4</sup> Los Angeles, Calif. (promoted June 15, 1933) .....	1933
Russell C. Martin, <sup>4</sup> Los Angeles, Calif. (elected Sept. 21, 1933) .....	1933
Alfred E. Stacey, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Mar. 9, 1940) .....	1934
Oley Nelson, <sup>2</sup> Iowa (died Apr. 15, 1938) .....	1935
C. H. William Ruhe, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died May 20, 1941) .....	1936
Overton H. Mennet, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Jan. 25, 1941) .....	1937
Robert M. Rownd, <sup>1</sup> Ripley, N. Y. ....	1938
John E. Andrew, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died in office June 30, 1940) .....	1939
A. T. Anderson, <sup>1</sup> Washington, Pa. (promoted June 30, 1940) .....	1940

## PAST SENIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF

James B. McKean, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Jan. 6, 1879) .....	1866-67
Joshua T. Owen, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Nov. 7, 1887) .....	1868
Lucius Fairchild, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died May 23, 1896) .....	1869-70
Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914) .....	1871-72
Edward Jardine, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Mar. 13, 1896) .....	1874
Joseph S. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Sept. 18, 1911) .....	1875-76
Elisha M. Rhodes, <sup>2</sup> Rhode Island (died Jan. 14, 1917) .....	1877
Paul Van Dervoort, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died July 29, 1902) .....	1878
John Palmer, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Apr. 15, 1905) .....	1879
Edgar D. Swain, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Apr. 28, 1904) .....	1880
Charles L. Young, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died September 1913) .....	1881
W. E. W. Ross, <sup>2</sup> Maryland (died Nov. 14, 1907) .....	1882
William Warner, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died Oct. 4, 1916) .....	1883
John P. Rea, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died May 28, 1900) .....	1884
Selden Connor, <sup>2</sup> Maine (died July 9, 1917) .....	1885
S. W. Backus, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Apr. 10, 1930) .....	1886
Nelson Cole, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died July 31, 1899) .....	1887
Moses H. Neil, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Dec. 29, 1929) .....	1888
A. G. Weissert, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Apr. 24, 1923) .....	1889
Richard F. Tobin, Massachusetts (died in office, Nov. 22, 1890) .....	1890
George H. Innis, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (elected Apr. 7, 1891; died Jan. 19, 1907) ..	1891
Henry W. Duffield, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died July 13, 1912) .....	1891
R. H. Warfield, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died July 19, 1906) .....	1892
Ivan N. Walker, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Sept. 22, 1905) .....	1893
A. P. Burchfield, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 8, 1910) .....	1894
E. H. Hobson, <sup>2</sup> Kentucky (died Sept. 13, 1901) .....	1895
John H. Mullen, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died Apr. 3, 1907) .....	1896
Alfred Lyth, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Dec. 15, 1924) .....	1897
W. C. Johnson, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (elected commander in chief Sept. 5, 1899; died Apr. 27, 1917) .....	1898
Daniel Ross, <sup>2</sup> Delaware (elected Sept. 5, 1899; died Mar. 26, 1916) .....	1899
Irvin Robbins, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Feb. 29, 1911) .....	1899
Edwin C. Milliken, <sup>2</sup> Maine (died Oct. 21, 1921) .....	1900
John McElroy, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died Oct. 12, 1929) .....	1901
William M. Olin, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Apr. 18, 1911) .....	1902
C. Mason Kinne, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Dec. 25, 1913) .....	1903

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>4</sup> Adjutant general.

## PAST SENIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF—Continued

John R. King, <sup>2</sup> Maryland (promoted commander in chief July 17, 1905; died Mar. 3, 1934)-----	1904
George W. Patten, <sup>2</sup> Tennessee (promoted July 17, 1905; died Sept. 19, 1906)-----	1905
George W. Cook, <sup>2</sup> Colorado and Wyoming (died Dec. 17, 1916)-----	1905
William A. Armstrong, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Sept. 28, 1914)-----	1906
Lewis E. Griffith, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Oct. 6, 1912)-----	1907
J. Kent Hamilton, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Dec. 29, 1918)-----	1908
William M. Bostaph, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Apr. 8, 1935)-----	1909
Charles Burrows, <sup>2</sup> New Jersey (died Mar. 17, 1935)-----	1910
Nicholas W. Day, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Mar. 6, 1916)-----	1911
Henry Z. Osborne, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died March, 1923)-----	1912
Thomas H. Soward, <sup>2</sup> Oklahoma (died Aug. 12, 1918)-----	1913
Joseph B. Griswold, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died in office, Mar. 9, 1915)-----	1914
William F. Conner, <sup>2</sup> Texas (promoted Mar. 10, 1915; died Mar. 1, 1919)---	1915
George H. Slaybaugh, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died Feb. 9, 1929)-----	1915
William H. Wormstead, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Aug. 16, 1938)-----	1916
John L. Clem, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died May 13, 1937)-----	1917
John G. Chambers, <sup>3</sup> Oregon-----	1918
Charles B. Wilson, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Dec. 1, 1928)-----	1919
George A. Hosley, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died May 13, 1930)-----	1920
Robert W. McBride, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died May 15, 1926)-----	1921
C. S. Brodbent, <sup>2</sup> Texas (died Apr. 23, 1931)-----	1922
Frank A. Walsh, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Mar. 5, 1932)-----	1923
Wilfred A. Wetherbee, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Nov. 13, 1930)-----	1924
Oscar A. Janes, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died Apr. 26, 1933)-----	1925
A. G. Beatty, <sup>2</sup> Iowa (died Nov. 17, 1928)-----	1926
Calvin A. Brainard, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Jan. 12, 1936)-----	1927
James E. Jewel, <sup>2</sup> Colorado (died Nov. 7, 1939)-----	1928
Charles E. Nason, <sup>2</sup> Maine (died Sept. 15, 1932)-----	1929
Jacob Secrest, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Nov. 26, 1935)-----	1930
Oley Nelson, <sup>2</sup> Iowa (died Apr. 15, 1938)-----	1931
Russell C. Martin, <sup>4</sup> Los Angeles, Calif. (commander in chief June 15, 1933)-----	1932
Charles E. Jones, <sup>2</sup> Alabama (promoted June 15, 1933; died Dec. 26, 1933)---	1933
Thomas H. Peacock, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died in office Jan. 23, 1934)-----	1933
Edwin H. Lincoln, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (promoted Jan. 23, 1934; died Oct. 15, 1938)-----	1934
Harding I. Merrill, <sup>2</sup> Kansas (died June 22, 1937)-----	1934
A. C. Estabrook, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died Feb. 12, 1941)-----	1935
Henry F. Russell, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Dec. 3, 1937)-----	1936
Henry Held, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Aug. 6, 1939)-----	1937
Frank L. Quade, Dubuque, Iowa-----	1938
A. T. Anderson, <sup>1 5</sup> Washington, Pa. (commander in chief, June 30, 1940)---	1939
William W. Nixon, <sup>1 6</sup> Jewell, Kans. (promoted June 30, 1940)-----	1940

## PAST JUNIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF

Robert S. Foster, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Mar. 3, 1903)-----	1866
Joseph R. Hawley, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 18, 1905)-----	1866-69
Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914)-----	1870
James Coey, <sup>2</sup> California (died July 14, 1918)-----	1871
J. Warren Keifer, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Apr. 22, 1933)-----	1871-72
Edgar Ferguson, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Sept. 18, 1901)-----	1873
Guy T. Gould, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Mar. 4, 1919)-----	1874
Charles J. Buckbee, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Nov. 5, 1896)-----	1875-76
William Earnshaw, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 17, 1885)-----	1877
Herbert E. Hill, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Apr. 8, 1892)-----	1878
Harrison Dingman, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died Sept. 26, 1925)-----	1879
George Bowers, <sup>2</sup> New Hampshire (died Feb. 14, 1884)-----	1880

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from the order.<sup>4</sup> Adjutant general.<sup>5</sup> Past commander in chief.<sup>6</sup> Commander in chief.



## PAST JUNIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF—Continued

C. V. R. Pond, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died June 9, 1912)-----	1881
I. S. Bangs, <sup>2</sup> Maine (died May 30, 1903)-----	1882
Walter H. Holmes, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Mar. 26, 1889)-----	1883
Ira E. Hicks, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 23, 1919)-----	1884
John R. Lewis, <sup>2</sup> Georgia (died Feb. 8, 1900)-----	1885
Edgar Allen, <sup>2</sup> Virginia (died Oct. 28, 1904)-----	1886
John C. Linehan, <sup>2</sup> New Hampshire (died Sept. 19, 1905)-----	1887
Joseph Hadfield, <sup>3</sup> New York-----	1888
John F. Lovett, <sup>2</sup> New Jersey (died Mar. 27, 1926)-----	1889
George B. Creamer, <sup>2</sup> Maryland (died Sept. 16, 1896)-----	1890
T. S. Clarkson, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died Jan. 16, 1915)-----	1891
Peter B. Ayars, <sup>2</sup> Delaware (died Jan. 19, 1904)-----	1892
J. C. Bigger, <sup>2</sup> Texas (died Sept. 24, 1900)-----	1893
Charles H. Shute, <sup>2</sup> Louisiana (died Nov. 26, 1907)-----	1894
S. G. Cosgrove, <sup>2</sup> Washington and Alaska (died Mar. 28, 1909)-----	1895
Charles W. Buckley, <sup>2</sup> Alabama (died Dec. 4, 1906)-----	1896
Francis B. Allen, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died July 26, 1921)-----	1897
Daniel Ross, <sup>2</sup> Delaware (senior vice, Sept. 6, 1899; died Mar. 26, 1916)---	1898
Michael Minton, <sup>2</sup> Kentucky (died Oct. 9, 1911)-----	1899
Frank Seaman, <sup>2</sup> Tennessee (died Nov. 20, 1910)-----	1900
James O'Donnell, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Feb. 15, 1910)-----	1901
James P. Averill, <sup>2</sup> Georgia (died Oct. 12, 1904)-----	1902
Harry C. Kessler, <sup>2</sup> Montana (died Sept. 10, 1907)-----	1903
George N. Patton, <sup>2</sup> Tennessee (senior vice, July 17, 1905; died Sept. 19, 1906)-----	1904
Ephraim B. Stillings, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (elected Sept. 4, 1905; died Dec. 30, 1917)-----	1905
Silas H. Towler, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died Apr. 23, 1930)-----	1905
E. B. Fenton, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died Nov. 19, 1927)-----	1906
William M. Scott, <sup>2</sup> Georgia (died Aug. 29, 1928)-----	1907
Charles C. Royce, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died Feb. 11, 1923)-----	1908
Alfred B. Beers, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 31, 1920)-----	1909
William James, <sup>2</sup> Florida (died Dec. 11, 1923)-----	1910
William A. Ogden, <sup>2</sup> Kansas (died Oct. 31, 1914)-----	1911
Americus Whedon, <sup>2</sup> Kentucky (died Oct. 18, 1921)-----	1912
A. S. Fowler, <sup>2</sup> Arkansas (died Oct. 18, 1922)-----	1913
W. F. Conner, <sup>2</sup> Texas (senior vice, Mar. 10, 1915; died Mar. 1, 1919)----	1914
Oscar A. Janes, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (elected Apr. 1, 1915; died Apr. 26, 1933)----	1915
Le Vant Dodge, <sup>2</sup> Kentucky (died Mar. 6, 1925)-----	1915
E. K. Russ, <sup>3</sup> Louisiana-----	1916
John M. Vernon, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Nov. 20, 1921)-----	1917
Charles H. Haber, <sup>2</sup> Virginia (died Nov. 30, 1927)-----	1918
Isidore Isaacs, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Feb. 18, 1924)-----	1919
J. E. Gandy, <sup>2</sup> Washington and Alaska (died June 5, 1934)-----	1920
Henry A. Johnson, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died Dec. 5, 1935)-----	1921
C. V. Gardner, <sup>2</sup> South Dakota (died Dec. 15, 1930)-----	1922
George T. Leech, <sup>2</sup> Maryland (died Aug. 4, 1940)-----	1923
John Reese, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died July 5, 1935)-----	1924
William O. Allen, <sup>2</sup> New Jersey (died Sept. 22, 1931)-----	1925
Charles H. Haskins, <sup>2</sup> California and Nevada (died Oct. 16, 1933)-----	1926
Samuel E. Mahan, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died Sept. 20, 1940)-----	1927
Henry J. Kearney, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Apr. 30, 1933)-----	1928
James W. Shields, <sup>2</sup> Idaho (died Dec. 17, 1933)-----	1929
Charles H. Lewis, <sup>2</sup> Rhode Island (died May 23, 1938)-----	1930
Russell C. Martin, <sup>4</sup> Los Angeles, Calif-----	1931
Charles E. Jones <sup>2</sup> (senior vice, June 15, 1933; died Dec. 26, 1933)-----	1932
Arthur Dawson, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (elected Sept. 18, 1933; died Apr. 7, 1940)-----	1933
Edwin H. Lincoln, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (senior vice, Jan. 23, 1934; died Oct. 15, 1938)-----	1933

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from order.<sup>4</sup> Adjutant general.

## PAST JUNIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF—Continued

John E. Andrew, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (elected Apr. 27, 1934; died June 30, 1940)---	1934
George H. Pounder, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Dec. 10, 1936)-----	1934
Overton H. Mennet, <sup>2</sup> California (died Jan. 25, 1941)-----	1935
Thomas Ambrose, <sup>1 5</sup> Chicago, Ill-----	1936
Robert M. Rownd, <sup>1 7</sup> Ripley, N. Y-----	1937
John W. Carroll, Lisbon, N. Dak-----	1938
William W. Nixon, <sup>1 8</sup> Jewell, Kans. (senior vice, June 30, 1940)-----	1939
William H. McCoy, <sup>1 9</sup> Trenton, N. J. (elected Sept. 9, 1940)-----	1940

## PAST SURGEON GENERAL (LIVING)

Dr. Charles W. Burrill, Kansas City, Mo-----	1920, 1923, 1926
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## PAST ADJUTANTS GENERAL (LIVING)

Darwin B. Wolcott, Los Angeles, Calif-----	1933
George Sands, Pittsburgh, Pa-----	1937, 1939

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>5</sup> Senior vice commander in chief.<sup>7</sup> Past commander in chief.<sup>8</sup> Commander in chief.<sup>9</sup> National Council of Administration.

## DEPARTMENTS

[The figures within parentheses indicate the number of each department in the order of permanent organization]

### ARKANSAS (31)

[Organized July 11, 1883. Membership, December 31, 1940, 2. Posts, 1]

*Department commander*----- ALONZO TODD,<sup>4</sup> Little Rock.

#### PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Stephen Wheeler, <sup>2</sup> 1883-84.	A. Y. Killingsworth, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
C. M. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	J. M. McClintock, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
C. C. Waters, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	R. J. Maxson, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Thomas Boles, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	F. W. Tucker, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
S. K. Robinson, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	A. S. Fowler, <sup>2</sup> 1913-14.
A. S. Fowler, <sup>2</sup> 1889-90.	Charles C. Warner, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
W. H. H. Clayton, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	H. F. Wallace, <sup>2</sup> 1916 (see California and Nevada).
Powell Clayton, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	O. J. Kyler, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
Logan H. Root, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Horace Wyman, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
Thomas H. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1893-94.	Samuel Henderson, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
William C. Roberts, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Jacob E. Leas, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
O. H. Spellman, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	George W. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
A. H. Soekland, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	C. H. Parish, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
W. G. Gray, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	George W. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1923
George W. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Orin Parker, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
A. L. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	M. C. Stouteagle, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
W. G. Akers, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	John Q. Hays, <sup>2</sup> 1926-27.
J. H. Avery, <sup>2</sup> 1902-03.	Samuel Henderson, <sup>2</sup> 1928-33 (died in office).
Edward T. Wolfe, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	W. B. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1934-37 (died in office).
W. S. Bartholomew, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	S. H. Blackmer, <sup>2</sup> 1937 (died in office).
John W. Lane, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	J. M. Bryant, <sup>2</sup> 1938-40 (died in office).
Cos Altenburg, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	
Charles E. Newman, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	

### CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA (10)

[Organized February 21, 1868. Membership, December 31, 1940, 86. Posts, 25]

*Department commander*----- ELISHA AMES,<sup>1</sup> West Los Angeles.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- C. N. BOYER,<sup>1</sup> Sacramento.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- J. M. FERGUSON, Long Beach.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- D. B. WOLCOTT,<sup>5</sup> Los Angeles.

#### DELEGATES

O. H. Castle, <sup>1</sup> Los Angeles.	Eugene Merrick, <sup>1</sup> Los Angeles.
John W. Smith, <sup>1</sup> Santa Cruz.	

#### PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

John E. Miller <sup>2</sup> (provisional), 1867.	W. E. McArthur, <sup>2</sup> 1871-72.
James Coey, <sup>2</sup> 1868-69.	W. H. Aiken, <sup>2</sup> 1873-74.
W. L. Campbell, <sup>2</sup> 1870.	A. Carlson, <sup>2</sup> 1875.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>5</sup> Past adjutant general.



## California and Nevada—Continued

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—Continued

A. C. Bagley, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	E. L. Hawk, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
S. W. Backus, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	H. V. Parker, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
S. P. Ford, <sup>2</sup> 1878-79.	W. R. Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
C. Mason Kinne, <sup>2</sup> 1880-81.	G. M. Stormont, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
W. A. Robinson, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	B. B. Tuttle, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
J. W. Staples, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Hiram P. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
James M. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	A. E. Leavitt, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
R. H. Warfield, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	C. H. Haskins, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
W. R. Smedburg, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	John H. Roberts, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
E. S. Salomon, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	R. C. Martin, <sup>4</sup> Los Angeles, 1919.
T. H. Goodman, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	George D. Kellogg, <sup>2</sup> 1920 (died in office).
George E. Gard, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	G. M. Burlingame, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
A. J. Buckles, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	William H. Noll, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
W. H. L. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	S. W. Hopkins, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
J. B. Fuller, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	James R. Milner, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
E. C. Seymour, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	George W. Grannis, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
J. M. Walling, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	C. S. Stoddard, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
C. E. Wilson, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Peter H. Mass, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
T. C. Masteller, <sup>3</sup> 1896.	W. A. Packard, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
N. P. Chipman, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	H. H. Woodruff, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Sol Cahen, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Darwin B. Wolcott, <sup>5</sup> Los Angeles, 1929.
A. F. Dill, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	John C. Chapman, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
George M. Mott, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	A. E. Vest, San Diego, 1931.
George Stone, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	J. S. Dumser, <sup>1 6</sup> Oakland, 1932.
W. G. Hawley, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	O. H. Menner, <sup>2</sup> Los Angeles, 1933.
William R. Shafter, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	Wm. M. Bostaph, <sup>2</sup> 1934 (died in office).
Charles T. Rice, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	George N. Lockwood, Los Angeles, 1935.
W. W. Russell, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	S. R. Yoho, San Francisco, 1936.
William C. Alberger, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	John W. Grimes, <sup>1</sup> Long Beach, 1937.
William G. Waters, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	F. R. Young, <sup>2</sup> 1938.
Samuel Merrill, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	Robert C. Blair, <sup>2</sup> 1939.
W. S. Daubenspeck, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	Calvin H. Blanchard, Oakland, 1940.
J. Clyde Millar, <sup>2</sup> 1893, transferred from Alabama.	
George Hoxworth, <sup>2</sup> 1897, transferred from Arizona.	
James P. Rhodes, <sup>2</sup> 1920, transferred from Arizona.	
D. P. Kyle, <sup>2</sup> 1921, transferred from Arizona.	
H. F. Wallace, <sup>2</sup> 1916, transferred from Arkansas.	
U. S. Hollister, <sup>2</sup> 1897, transferred from Colorado and Wyoming.	
R. H. Mellette, <sup>2</sup> 1907, transferred from Colorado and Wyoming.	
P. Q. Stoner, <sup>2</sup> 1913, transferred from Georgia and South Carolina.	
Silas Wilson, <sup>2</sup> 1919, transferred from Idaho.	
Joseph S. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> 1877, transferred from Illinois.	
John J. Steadman, 1892, transferred from Iowa.	
O. H. Coulter, <sup>2</sup> 1899, transferred from Kansas.	
Perry H. Manchester, <sup>2</sup> 1900, transferred from Montana.	
A. V. Cole, <sup>2</sup> 1885, transferred from Nebraska.	
Clarendon E. Adams, <sup>2</sup> 1895, transferred from Nebraska.	
John W. Edwards, <sup>2</sup> 1902, transferred from New Mexico.	
H. B. Steward, <sup>2</sup> 1910, transferred from New Mexico.	
John C. Gipson, <sup>2</sup> 1902, transferred from New York.	
William A. Bentley, <sup>2</sup> 1891, transferred from North Dakota.	
J. P. Cummings, <sup>2</sup> 1894, transferred from Oklahoma.	
James E. Burns, <sup>2</sup> 1901, transferred from Oklahoma.	
W. H. Hornaday, <sup>2</sup> 1907, transferred from Oklahoma.	
W. S. Tilton, <sup>2</sup> 1920, transferred from Oklahoma.	
M. V. Lucas, <sup>2</sup> 1884-1886, transferred from South Dakota.	
E. T. Langley, <sup>2</sup> 1890, transferred from South Dakota.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from the order.<sup>4</sup> Adjutant general.<sup>5</sup> Past adjutant general.<sup>6</sup> National Council of Administration.

## California and Nevada—Continued

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—Continued

Philip Lawrence,<sup>2</sup> 1900, transferred from South Dakota.  
 Thomas E. Blanchard,<sup>2</sup> 1902, transferred from South Dakota.  
 M. A. Breeden,<sup>2</sup> 1900, transferred from Utah.  
 William M. Bostaph,<sup>2</sup> 1902, transferred from Utah.  
 Frank M. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1904, transferred from Washington and Alaska.  
 W. H. Wiscombe,<sup>2</sup> 1910, transferred from Washington and Alaska.  
 John J. See,<sup>2</sup> 1917, transferred from Washington and Alaska.  
 O. D. McDonald,<sup>2</sup> 1920, transferred from Washington and Alaska.  
 A. H. DeGroff,<sup>2</sup> 1901, transferred from Wisconsin.

## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

H. M. Mingay, Tujunga, 1933.	William F. Hoch, Pasadena, 1937.
David Ballenger, Pomona, 1939.	

## COLORADO AND WYOMING (21)

[Organized as the Department of Colorado in 1868; reorganized in 1876 as Department of the Mountains; name changed to Colorado, July 31, 1882; name changed to Colorado and Wyoming, August 28, 1889. Membership, December 31, 1940, 9. Posts, 3]

<i>Department commander</i> -----	LEWIS H. EASTERLY, <sup>1 4</sup> Gunnison.
<i>Senior vice department commander</i> -----	GEORGE METZ, Fort Collins.
<i>Junior vice department commander</i> -----	J. B. SMITH, Canon City.
<i>Assistant adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT F. BRYAN, <sup>1</sup> Boulder.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Frederick J. Bancroft, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	William W. Ferguson, <sup>2</sup> 1910 (died in office).
Andrew W. Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1878-79.	William H. McDonald, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
John W. Donnellan, <sup>2</sup> 1880-82.	Dexter T. Sapp, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Eugene K. Stimson, <sup>2</sup> 1882-83.	Henry M. Minor, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
Byron L. Carr, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Cyrus A. Brooks, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Aninman V. Bohn, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	O. S. Reed, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Henry Bowman, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Frank O. Burdick, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
George Ady, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	James Moynahan, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
John W. Browning, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	James H. Comstock, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
Thomas J. Fisher, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Asa Curl, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
Delos L. Holden, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Carroll M. Bills, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
George W. Cook, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Marshall S. Crawford, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
John C. Kennedy, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	James E. Jewel, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
Myron W. Reed, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Samuel J. Capps, <sup>2</sup> 1922 (died in office).
Nathaniel Rollins, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	A. W. Hogle, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Nichols J. O'Brien, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	William Butler, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Horace O. Dodge, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	J. C. Plank, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
U. S. Hollister, <sup>2</sup> 1897. (See California and Nevada.)	J. L. Randall, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
William T. S. May, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	W. M. Robertson, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
Andrew Royal, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	J. E. Laycock, Manitou, 1927.
Harper M. Orahood, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	C. Ricketts, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Linus E. Sherman, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	W. E. Moses, <sup>2</sup> 1929 (died in office).
James W. Huff, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	R. Q. Tenney, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
Harrison S. Vaughn, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	David N. Heiser, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
Thomas J. Downen, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	E. C. Condit, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
George W. Curfman, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	Alba J. Rawson, <sup>2</sup> 1932-1933.
Loren C. Dana, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	Chas. H. Pridmore, Denver, 1934.
Richard H. Mellette, <sup>2</sup> 1907. (See California and Nevada.)	Tobias Mattox, <sup>2</sup> 1935.
Henry C. Watson, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	R. H. Hoffman, <sup>2</sup> 1936.
John W. Wingate, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	Joshua C. Pearce, <sup>1 5</sup> Denver, 1937.
	Lewis H. Easterly, <sup>1 4</sup> Gunnison, 1938-40.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.<sup>5</sup> Chaplain in chief.



## CONNECTICUT (6)

[Organized April 11, 1867. Membership, December 31, 1940, 10. Posts, 5]

*Department commander*----- TRUMAN N. PARSONS,<sup>1 4</sup> Stratford.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- CHARLES DOUGLAS, New Haven.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- RUSSELL VAN DEUSEN, Bridgeport.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- EDWARD T. ABBOTT, Bridgeport.

## DELEGATE

Joseph Rockwell, Danbury.

## ALTERNATE

Hiram Davis, Ridgefield.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Edward Harland,<sup>2</sup> 1867.  
 Theodore G. Ellis,<sup>2</sup> 1868-69.  
 William A. Mallory,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
 L. A. Dickinson,<sup>2</sup> 1872-73.  
 Charles S. Buckbee,<sup>2</sup> 1874-75.  
 William E. Disbrow,<sup>2</sup> 1876-77.  
 Frank G. Otis,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 Frank E. Fowler,<sup>2</sup> 1878-79.  
 George S. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 Alfred B. Beers,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 Ira E. Hicks,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Isaac C. Hyatt,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 William Berry,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 Frank D. Sloat,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 John T. Crary,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Henry E. Taintor,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Samuel B. Horne,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 William H. Pierpont,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 John C. Broatch,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Henry N. Fanton,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Benajah P. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Wilbur F. Rogers,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Selah G. Blakeman,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 John M. Brewer,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Oscar W. Cornish,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Gustav D. Bates,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 William Simonds,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Henry R. Jones,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 John K. Bucklyn,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Thomas Boudren,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 N. Burton Rogers,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Morgan G. Bulkeley,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 William C. Hilliard,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Albert A. May,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Virgil F. McNeil,<sup>2</sup> 1906.

Charles A. Appel,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Edward Griswold,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 George Haven,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Edson S. Bishop,<sup>5</sup> 1910.  
 Richard J. Cutbill,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 William H. Dougal,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 James R. Sloane,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Fred V. Streeter,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Charles Griswold,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 Henry J. Seeley,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 Benjamin H. Cheney,<sup>2</sup> 1917.  
 Christian Quien,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 George T. Meech,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
 Randolph Williamson,<sup>2</sup> 1920.  
 Christian Swartz,<sup>2</sup> 1921.  
 Orrin M. Price,<sup>2</sup> 1922.  
 John L. Saxe,<sup>2</sup> 1923.  
 Ira R. Wildman,<sup>2</sup> 1924.  
 James W. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1925.  
 James R. Young,<sup>2</sup> 1926.  
 Charles M. Shailer,<sup>2</sup> 1927.  
 George A. Tucker,<sup>2</sup> 1928.  
 James Haggerty,<sup>2</sup> 1929.  
 Frank A. Cargill,<sup>2</sup> 1930.  
 Henry W. Burrill,<sup>2</sup> 1931.  
 Lewis L. Baker,<sup>2</sup> 1932.  
 Edward T. Abbott,<sup>6</sup> Bridgeport, 1933.  
 Lyman H. Call,<sup>2</sup> 1934.  
 Casper D. Wallace,<sup>2</sup> 1935.  
 Edward A. Pinkney,<sup>2</sup> 1936 (died in office).  
 Russell Van Deusen,<sup>8</sup> Bridgeport, 1936.  
 Charles Douglas,<sup>1 7</sup> New Haven, 1937.  
 Truman N. Parsons,<sup>1 4</sup> Stratford, 1938.  
 Nathan Coe, Newington, 1939-40.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.<sup>5</sup> Not a member of the order.<sup>6</sup> Assistant adjutant general.<sup>7</sup> Senior vice department commander.<sup>8</sup> Junior vice department commander.



## DELAWARE (23)

[Organized January 14, 1881. Membership, December 31, 1940, 9. Posts, 4]

*Department commander*----- JOSEPH T. BERRY, Milford.  
*Senior vice department commander*-----  
*Junior vice department commander*----- JOSEPH HYNSON, Rock Hall, Md.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- JOSEPH M. SHOWALTER, Oxford, Pa.<sup>4</sup>

## DELEGATE

Isaiah Fassett, Berlin, Md.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

William S. McNair, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	J. R. Armstrong, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
John Wainwright, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	J. T. Rheims, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Daniel Ross, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	John P. Riley, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
C. M. Carey, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	S. Sheward Johnson, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
J. S. Litzenberg, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	J. T. Alexander, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
J. M. Dunn, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Orrin J. Cook, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
J. E. Mowbrey, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	R. Harry Williams, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
R. G. Buckingham, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	C. A. W. Frishmuth, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
Peter B. Ayars, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	William A. Truitt, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
Samuel Lewis, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Charles Zerby, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
A. J. Woodman, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Nathaniel L. Henderson, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
G. W. Stradley, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Charles R. Lewis, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
B. D. Bogia, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	William H. Middleton, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
J. E. Vantine, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	R. G. Buckingham, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
E. F. Wood, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	William Buckius, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
William B. Norton, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Charles S. Waters, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
J. S. Bradley, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	James T. Twigg, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
Robert Liddell, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	James Lynn, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
William H. Moystin, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Moses Weil, <sup>2</sup> 1931 (died in office).
William A. Reilly, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	James Lynn, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
John W. Worrall, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	James T. Twigg, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
John C. Garner, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	George W. Weldin, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
William G. Baugh, Sr., <sup>2</sup> 1903.	W. Harry Patterson, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
William Kelley, Jr., <sup>2</sup> 1904.	Lewis Morse, <sup>2</sup> 1935 (died in office).
William Tharp, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	Thomas J. Hammonds, <sup>2</sup> 1935-36.
Ira Lunt, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	Jacob C. Steele, <sup>2</sup> 1937-38.
Jesse Hellings, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	Augustus A. Owens, <sup>2</sup> 1939 (died in office).
H. W. Perkins, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	Henry Banzett, <sup>2</sup> 1939.
William H. Blake, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	George W. Baker, Sr., 1940 (died in office). <sup>2</sup>
George C. Morton, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	
William Mendenhall, <sup>2</sup> 1911.	
Jesse K. Baylis, <sup>2</sup> 1912.	

<sup>2</sup> Deceased<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.

## FLORIDA (36)

[Organized June 19, 1884. Membership, December 31, 1940, 10. Posts, 3]

*Department commander*----- C. J. ROSE, Miami.<sup>4</sup>  
*Senior vice department commander*----- W. C. RUSSELL, St. Cloud.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- JAMES E. WINNING, St. Petersburg.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- HENRY W. WARDEN, Miami.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

T. S. Wilmarth, <sup>2</sup> 1884-85.	Lyman Leighton, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
G. H. Norton, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	James F. Bullard, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
E. W. Henck, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	W. H. Melrath, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
William James, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	John A. Wallace, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
J. W. V. R. Plummer, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	H. B. Jeffries, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
Fred S. Goodrich, <sup>3</sup> 1890.	Theodore W. B. Brake, <sup>2</sup> 1919 (died in office).
John H. Welsh, <sup>3</sup> 1891.	George E. Field, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
J. De V. Hazzard, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Imri A. Spencer, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
George F. Foote, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	G. W. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
David L. Way, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	C. J. Rose, <sup>4</sup> Miami, 1922.
P. E. McMurray, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Samuel Sage, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
L. V. Jenness, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	James Campbell, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
Charles M. Ellis, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	A. C. Shaffer, <sup>2</sup> 1925 (died in office).
George Packwood, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	J. A. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1925 (died in office).
Edwin Kirby, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	J. H. DeGraw, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
J. S. Fairhead, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	A. R. Sawyer, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
F. C. Parcell, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Wayne W. Blossom, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
S. Herbert Lancy, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	D. S. Hunter, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
J. F. Chase, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	A. W. Lathrop, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
Henry Marcotte, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	C. E. Beach, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
Thomas J. Owen, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	James H. Simpson, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
William E. Emerson, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	Logan J. Dyke, Union City, Pa., 1932.
Samuel W. Fox, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	D. S. Hunter, <sup>2</sup> 1933-35.
S. R. Hudson, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	C. H. Parker, <sup>2</sup> 1936.
James Skinner, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	Charles W. Eldredge, <sup>2</sup> 1937.
James O. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	C. J. Rose, <sup>4</sup> Miami, 1938.
Joseph Bumby, <sup>2</sup> 1911.	W. C. Russell, <sup>5</sup> St. Cloud, 1939.
William P. Lynch, <sup>2</sup> 1912.	C. J. Rose, <sup>4</sup> Miami, 1940.
William S. Siggins, <sup>2</sup> 1913.	

S. H. Wood,<sup>2</sup> 1905, transferred from Vermont.  
 C. E. Beach,<sup>2</sup> 1908, transferred from Vermont.  
 A. P. Rounseville,<sup>2</sup> 1895, transferred from North Dakota.  
 Samuel Baughman,<sup>2</sup> 1926, transferred from Kansas.  
 F. M. Underwood, Knoxville, Tenn., 1915, 1934-37, transferred from Tennessee.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from the order.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.<sup>5</sup> Senior vice department commander.

## IDAHO (39)

[Organized January 11, 1888. Membership, December 31, 1940, 3. Posts, 1]

*Department commander*----- ALBERT G. JONES,<sup>1 4</sup> Boise.  
*Senior vice department commander*-----  
*Junior vice department commander*-----  
*Assistant adjutant general*-----

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

W. H. Nye, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	R. H. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
A. S. Senter, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	George F. Kimery, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
W. T. Riley, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	F. T. Page, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
Judson Spofford, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Silas Wilson, <sup>2</sup> 1919. (See California and Nevada.)
A. O. Ingalls, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	John Carr, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
R. H. Barton, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	William S. Hawkes, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
T. J. Groome, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	William Bower, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
D. H. Budlong, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	F. J. Titus, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
J. L. Fuller, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	C. L. Longley, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
Lindol Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	George Gardner, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
N. F. Kimball, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	John S. Thorp, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
S. L. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	R. P. Drury, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
Charles A. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	W. J. Neely, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
William C. Maxey, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Otto F. Steen, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
George M. Parsons, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	S. H. McCullough, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
E. S. Whittier, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	W. H. Johns, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
C. F. Drake, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	Jeremiah Williams, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
George A. Manning, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	T. W. Johnston, <sup>2</sup> 1933 (died in office).
Alfred Anderson, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	George N. Kingsbury, Emmett, 1934.
A. M. Rowe, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	E. A. Paddock, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
William K. Jameson, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	Frank Williams, <sup>2</sup> 1935.
Stewart Young, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	George N. Kingsbury, <sup>5</sup> Emmett, 1936.
Willard White, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	James P. Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1937.
M. W. Wood, <sup>2</sup> 1911.	Elisha White, <sup>2</sup> 1938 (died in office).
J. W. Shields, <sup>2</sup> 1912.	Elder Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1938.
A. G. Nettleton, <sup>2</sup> 1913.	Albert G. Jones, <sup>1 4</sup> Boise, 1939-40.
H. J. Newhouse, <sup>2</sup> 1914.	
William H. Cable, <sup>2</sup> 1915.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.<sup>5</sup> Department commander, 1934.



## ILLINOIS (1)

[Organized April 6, 1866. Membership, December 31, 1940, 62. Posts, 34]

*Department commander*----- HIRAM H. SHUMATE,<sup>1</sup> Riverton.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- THOMAS AMBROSE,<sup>1 5</sup> Chicago.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- WILLIAM M. LIVINGSTON, Peoria.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- JAMES H. LEWIS,<sup>1</sup> Chicago.

## DELEGATES

William H. Glenn,<sup>1</sup> Belleville.  
 C. H. Collins,<sup>1</sup> Decatur.

## ALTERNATE

Henry Stanley, Chicago.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

B. F. Stephenson, <sup>2</sup> 1866.	Edwin H. Buck, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
John M. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1867.	A. C. Mathews, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
Thomas S. Osborne, <sup>2</sup> 1868-70.	Joseph Rosenbaum, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Charles E. Lippincott, <sup>2</sup> 1871.	Philip C. Hayes, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Hubert Dilger, <sup>2</sup> 1872.	James A. Connolly, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Guy T. Gould, <sup>2</sup> 1873.	C. C. Duffy, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
H. H. Hilliard, <sup>2</sup> 1874-76.	Thomas H. Gault, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
Joseph S. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> 1877 (see California and Nevada).	J. H. Crowder, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
T. B. Coulter, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	Samuel Fallows, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Edgar D. Swain, <sup>2</sup> 1878-80.	John M. Snyder, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
J. W. Burst, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	W. F. Calhoun, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Thomas G. Lawler, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	C. S. Bentley, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
Samuel A. Harper, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Joseph W. Fifer, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
L. T. Dickason, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Henry D. Fulton, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
W. W. Berry, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Edwin N. Armstrong, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
Philip Sidney Post, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	William P. Wright, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
A. C. Sweetser, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	E. P. Bartlett, <sup>2</sup> 1922 (died in office).
James A. Sexton, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	J. M. Oulson, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
James S. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	William J. Libberton, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
William L. Distin, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Philip Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
Horace S. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	O. R. Kenney, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
Edwin Harlan, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	John E. Andrew, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
Edwin A. Blodgett, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	D. H. Harper, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
H. H. McDowell, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Charles T. Marsh, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
William H. Powell, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	H. B. Davidson, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
W. G. Cochran, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	A. C. Best, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
A. L. Schimpff, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	James H. Campbell, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
John C. Black, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	H. C. First, <sup>2</sup> 1932 (died in office).
John B. Inman, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	William O'Callaghan, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
J. M. Longnecker, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	George A. Robinson, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
N. B. Thistlewood, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	William N. Hodge, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
H. M. Trimble, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	Thomas Ambrose, <sup>1 5</sup> Chicago, 1935.
Benson Wood, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	William N. Hodge, <sup>2</sup> 1936.
Robert Mann Woods, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	John E. Andrew, <sup>2</sup> 1937-39.
John C. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	Thomas Ambrose, <sup>1 5</sup> Chicago, 1939.
	Hiram Shumate, <sup>1 6</sup> Riverton, 1940.

Milton J. Stewart,<sup>2</sup> 1885, transferred from Kansas.  
 Charles M. Travis,<sup>2</sup> 1889, transferred from Indiana.

## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Milton Myers,<sup>1</sup> Park Ridge, 1935.

| Albert E. Gage,<sup>1</sup> Chicago, 1937.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>5</sup> Senior vice commander in chief.

<sup>6</sup> Department commander.

## INDIANA (20)

[Organized August 20, 1866; reorganized October 3, 1879. Membership, December 31, 1940, 41. Posts, 27]

*Department commander*----- Dr. JOHN H. STONE,<sup>1 4</sup> Kokomo.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- Dr. E. H. COWAN,<sup>1 3</sup> Dallas, Tex.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- DAVID S. MOIST, Union City.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- O. N. WILMINGTON,<sup>1</sup> Indianapolis.

## DELEGATES

Jacob Mooker,<sup>1</sup> Valparaiso. | Barney Stone,<sup>1</sup> Noblesville.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Robert S. Foster, <sup>2</sup> 1866; 1868.	John D. Alexander, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Nathan Kimball, <sup>2</sup> 1867.	Orlando A. Somers, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Oliver M. Wilson, <sup>2</sup> 1869.	Alexander P. Asbury, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Louis Humphrey, <sup>2</sup> 1870-71.	Daniel Waugh, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Jonathan B. Hagar, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	Frank Swigart, <sup>2</sup> 1912 (died in office).
Samuel E. Armstrong, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	Wilbur E. Gorsuch, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
William W. Dudley, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	Daniel W. Comstock, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
James R. Carnahan, <sup>2</sup> 1882-83.	A. B. Crampton, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Edwin Nicar, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Lewis King, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
David N. Foster, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	V. V. Williams, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Thomas W. Bennett, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Samuel M. Hench, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
Ira J. Chase, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Alonzo Murphy, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
Argus D. Vanosdol, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	William F. Medsker, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
Charles M. Travis, <sup>2</sup> 1889 (see Illinois).	Robert W. McBride, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
Gil R. Stormont, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Richard H. Tyner, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
Ivan N. Walker, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	William A. Kelsey, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Joseph B. Cheadle, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Albert J. Ball, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
James T. Johnston, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	F. M. VanPelt, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
Albert O. Marsh, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	David Strouse, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
Harvey B. Shively, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	James W. Spain, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
Henry M. Caylor, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	John H. Hoffman, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
James S. Dodge, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	W. F. Molyneaux, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Daniel Ryan, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Charles E. Hale, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
William L. Dunlap, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Isaac B. Austin, <sup>2</sup> 1930 (died in office).
David E. Beem, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	James Kilmartin, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
Milton Garrigus, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	F. M. McNair, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
Benjamin Starr, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	James Bowden, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
George W. Grubbs, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	Jasper N. Callicott, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
Daniel R. Lucas, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	John F. McKinley, <sup>2</sup> 1934 (died in office).
Marine D. Tackett, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	Edward McClelland, <sup>2</sup> 1935.
Edmund R. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	Quincey A. Hunt, <sup>2</sup> 1936.
William A. Ketcham, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	John H. Stone, <sup>1 4</sup> Kokomo, 1937-40.

## PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

William Ziegler, Logansport, 1937.

## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Henry Rogers, Rockville, 1934.	Levi Keltner, Anderson, 1938.
Isaac W. Sharp, <sup>1</sup> Warsaw, 1936.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> Surgeon general.

<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.



## IOWA (19)

[Organized September 26, 1866; reorganized January 23, 1879. Membership, December 31, 1940, 71. Posts, 4]

*Department commander*----- ELLIOTT P. TAYLOR,<sup>1</sup> Newton.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- JOHN M. GUDGEL, Shenandoah.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- JACOB J. NEUMAN, Des Moines.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- THOMAS J. NOLL,<sup>1 6</sup> Des Moines..

## DELEGATES

James P. Martin, Sutherland. —Nicholas T. Wells, Marcus.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

J. C. Parrott, <sup>2</sup> 1874-75.	Lot Abraham, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
A. A. Perkins, <sup>2</sup> 1876-78.	J. D. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
H. E. Griswold, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	J. W. Willett, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
W. F. Conrad, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	Byron C. Ward, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Peter V. Carey, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	John F. Merry, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
George B. Hogin, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	John H. Mills, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
John B. Cook, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	J. L. Farrington, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
E. G. Miller, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	E. J. C. Bealer, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
W. R. Manning, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	A. G. Beatty, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
W. A. McHenry, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	R. L. Chase, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
J. M. Tuttle, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	J. B. Harsh, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
E. A. Consigny, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	L. J. Kron, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Charles H. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	W. W. Gist, <sup>2</sup> 1923 (died in office).
Mason P. Mills, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	W. S. Freeman, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Charles L. Davidson, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	W. H. Needham, <sup>2</sup> 1924 (died in office)..
J. J. Steadman, <sup>2</sup> 1892 (see California and Nevada).	D. B. Cowles, <sup>2</sup> 1924 (died in office).
Phil. Schaller, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Orlando S. Hartman, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
George A. Newman, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Frank Dagle, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
J. K. P. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	E. J. Stonebraker, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
Josiah Given, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Oley Nelson, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
A. H. Evans, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	J. W. Stratton, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
R. W. Tirrell, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	John K. Ewing, <sup>2</sup> 1929 (died in office)..
C. F. Bailey, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Joseph Pratt, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
M. B. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Watson Ridsen, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
George Metzger, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	John T. Lucas, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
John Lindt, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	T. J. Noll, <sup>1 6</sup> Des Moines, 1932.
L. B. Raymond, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	Frank L. Quade, <sup>7</sup> Dubuque, 1933.
R. T. St. John, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	L. J. Leech, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
S. H. Harper, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	Horace B. Kelly, <sup>2</sup> 1935 (died in office)..
C. A. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	J. C. Hanes, <sup>2</sup> 1935.
D. J. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	John P. Risley, <sup>2</sup> 1936-37 (died in office)..
J. C. Milliman, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	Michael Hawk, 1938.
M. McDonald, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	James W. Willett, <sup>2</sup> 1939 (died in office)..
H. A. Dyer, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	Jacob J. Neuman, <sup>5</sup> Des Moines, 1940.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased

<sup>5</sup> Junior vice department commander.

<sup>6</sup> Judge advocate general.

<sup>7</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.



## KANSAS (22)

[Organized December 7, 1866; reorganized March 16, 1880. Membership, December 31, 1940, 15. Posts, 2]

*Department commander*----- GEORGE SCHREINER, Abilene.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- J. P. FAIR, Mankato.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- W. E. APPLGATE, Topeka.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- T. B. WILLIAMS,<sup>1 4</sup> Chapman.

## DELEGATE

Joseph Gaston, Beloit.

## ALTERNATE

Francis Brown,<sup>1</sup> Kansas City.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

John A. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1866-67.	T. P. Anderson, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
John Carpenter, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	J. N. Harrison, <sup>2</sup> 1912-13.
W. S. Jenkins, <sup>2</sup> 1872 (see Missouri).	Ira D. Brougher, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Stephen A. Cobb, <sup>2</sup> 1873.	C. A. Meek, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
John Guthrie, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	R. M. Painter, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
J. H. Gilpatrick, <sup>2</sup> 1877-78.	A. C. Pierce, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
J. C. Walkinshaw, <sup>2</sup> 1879-82.	W. W. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
Thomas J. Anderson, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Theodore Gardner, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
Homer W. Pond, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Joseph A. Walter, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
Milton J. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> 1885 (see Illinois).	George P. Washburn, <sup>2</sup> 1921 (died in office).
C. J. McDivitt, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	E. W. Bowman, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
T. H. Soward, <sup>2</sup> 1887 (see Oklahoma).	William W. Dennison, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
J. W. Feighan, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	William H. Mitchell, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Henry Booth, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Andrew Graff, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
Ira A. Collins, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Fred Jackson, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
Timothy McCarthy, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Samuel Baughman, <sup>2</sup> 1926 (see Florida).
A. R. Green, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	R. H. McWhorter, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
Bernard Kelly, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	H. I. Merrill, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
W. P. Campbell, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	J. W. Priddy, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
John P. Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	C. K. King, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
W. C. Whitney, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	E. W. Phillips, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
Theo. Botkin, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	J. H. Harvey, <sup>2</sup> 1932 (died in office).
D. W. Eastman, <sup>2</sup> 1898 (see Oklahoma).	Grear Nagel, <sup>2</sup> 1932 (died in office).
O. H. Coulter, <sup>2</sup> 1899 (see California and Nevada).	H. W. Wardell, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
W. W. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	W. B. Rhodes, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
J. B. Remington, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	W. W. Nixon, <sup>1 5</sup> Jewell, 1934.
H. C. Loomis, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	A. O. Gere, <sup>2</sup> 1935.
Abraham W. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	J. H. Getty, <sup>2</sup> 1936.
Charles Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	Henry Keller, <sup>2</sup> 1937.
P. H. Coney, <sup>2</sup> 1905-06.	Philip Weinrich, <sup>2</sup> 1938.
R. A. Campbell, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	T. B. Williams, <sup>1 4</sup> Chapman, 1939.
W. A. Morgan, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	J. W. Malloy, Dodge City, 1940.
Joel H. Rickel, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	
Nathan E. Harmon, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	

## PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

Charles Wingrove,<sup>1</sup> Clay Center.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>5</sup> Commander in chief.

## KENTUCKY (27)

[Organized January 16, 1883. Membership, December 31, 1940, 2. Posts, 2]

*Department commander*----- R. R. GRAHAM,<sup>1 4</sup> Madisonville.  
*Senior vice department commander*-----  
*Junior vice department commander*-----  
*Assistant adjutant general*-----

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

J. C. Michie,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
W. H. Harton,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
George W. Northup,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
T. Z. Morrow,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
William Bowman,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
Orrin A. Reynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
Vincent Boreing,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
Michael Minton,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
Samuel G. Hills,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
Edward H. Hobson,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
T. Edward Livezey,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
Daniel O'Riley,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
Robert M. Kelly,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
Americus Whedon,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
Andrew J. Tharp,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
J. W. Hammond,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
Joseph H. Browning,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
L. M. Drye,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
John Blaes,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
T. F. Beyland,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
W. G. Force,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
William T. Bausmith,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
Bernard Matthews,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
George Grimstead,<sup>2</sup> 1906.

Le Vant Dodge,<sup>2</sup> 1907-08.  
R. B. Hewetson,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
Sanford D. Van Pelt,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
Charles C. Degman,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
John Barr,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
W. J. L. Hughes,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
Edward Farley,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
John T. Gunn,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
Sam D. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
J. R. Howard,<sup>2</sup> 1917.  
T. A. Casey,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
Andrew Offut,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
M. H. Davidson,<sup>2</sup> 1920.  
Jacob Seibert,<sup>2</sup> 1921.  
John T. English,<sup>2</sup> 1922.  
E. F. Tucker,<sup>2</sup> 1923.  
C. C. Furr,<sup>2</sup> 1924.  
J. D. Compton,<sup>2</sup> 1925.  
Albert Scott,<sup>2</sup> 1926 (died in office).  
Cyrus Edwards,<sup>2</sup> 1926-28.  
John T. Thompson,<sup>2</sup> 1929.  
Robert T. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1930-33.  
Charles L. Dudley,<sup>2</sup> 1934-36.  
R. R. Graham,<sup>1 4</sup> Madisonville, 1937-40.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.

## MAINE (9)

[Organized January 10, 1868. Membership, December 31, 1940, 37. Posts, 22]

*Department commander*----- JOHN W. PALMER, Waldoboro.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- OTIS L. COFFIN,<sup>1</sup> Freeport.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- GEORGE F. STUART,<sup>1</sup> Portland.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- GEORGE H. JONES,<sup>1</sup> Oxford.

## ·DELEGATES

Walter A. Gowan, Biddleford. | Charles L. Marston, Yarmouth.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

George L. Beal, <sup>2</sup> 1868-69.	Frank F. Goss, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
Charles P. Mattocks, <sup>2</sup> 1870-71.	Woodbury K. Dana, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Daniel White, <sup>2</sup> 1872-73.	Augustus W. McCausland, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Selden Connor, <sup>2</sup> 1874-75.	John W. Webster, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Nelson Howard, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	Edwin Riley, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
John D. Myrick, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	William H. Holston, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
Augustus C. Hamlin, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	John F. Lamb, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Winsor B. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	Thomas S. Benson, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Isaac S. Bangs, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	Simon S. Andrews, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
William G. Haskell, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	Tobias L. Eastman, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Augustus B. Farnham, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	John Quincy Adams, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
Elisha M. Shaw, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Fred A. Motley, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
Benjamin Williams, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	George W. Goulding, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
James A. Hall, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Henry E. Merriam, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
Samuel W. Lane, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Edward A. Butler, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
Richard K. Gatley, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	George A. Gay, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Horace H. Burbank, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Ezekiel H. Hanson, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Franklin M. Drew, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Charles E. Nason, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
John D. Anderson, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Albert R. Hill, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
Samuel L. Miller, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Nathaniel W. White, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
Isaac Dyer, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Nahum H. Pillsbury, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
Wainwright Cushing, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Nelson R. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
J. Wesley Gilman, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Samuel F. Emerson, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
William H. Green, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	F. S. Philbrick, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
Lorenzo J. Carver, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Simon C. Hastings, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
Leroy T. Carleton, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	John W. Fogler, <sup>1 4</sup> Skowhegan, 1932.
Charles A. Southard, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	George T. Benson, Oakland, 1933.
Frederick Robie, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	John B. Sawtelle, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
Seth T. Snipe, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Joseph W. Lake, <sup>2</sup> 1935.
William Z. Clayton, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Charles F. Tibbetts, <sup>2</sup> 1936.
James L. Merrick, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	Oliver N. Leavitt, Portland, 1937.
Joshua L. Chamberlain, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	John W. Palmer, <sup>3</sup> Waldoboro, 1938.
Edwin C. Milliken, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	Frank J. Savage, <sup>2</sup> 1939.
Henry O. Perry, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	George H. Jones, <sup>1 5</sup> Oxford, 1940.
Frederick S. Walls, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Department commander.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.<sup>5</sup> Assistant adjutant general.



## MARYLAND (16)

[Organized January 8, 1868; reorganized June 9, 1876. Membership, December 31, 1940, 3. Posts, 1]

No report.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Andrew W. Denison,<sup>2</sup> 1867-69.  
 E. W. Goldsborough,<sup>2</sup> 1870.  
 E. T. Daneker,<sup>2</sup> 1871.  
 Adams E. King,<sup>2</sup> 1872.  
 E. B. Tyler,<sup>2</sup> 1876-78.  
 W. E. Griffith,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 W. E. W. Ross,<sup>2</sup> 1880-81.  
 Graham Dukehart,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 John Suter,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Frank M. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 John W. Horn, 1885.  
 George W. F. Vernon,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Henry P. Underhill,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Theodore F. Lang,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 George F. Wheeler,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 George R. Graham,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Joseph C. Hill,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Wallace A. Bartlett,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Frank Nolen,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Myron I. Rose,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Oliver A. Horner,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 A. S. Cooper,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 George W. Johnson,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 David L. Stanton,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Lewis M. Zimmerman,<sup>2</sup> 1899.

John R. King,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 John G. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 John W. Worth,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 William Stahl,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 James Campbell,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Richard N. Bowerman,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 George Prechtel,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Fred C. Tarr,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Robert C. Sunstrom,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Benjamin F. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 William P. Vannort,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 John T. Holmes,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 George Prechtel,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 Charles N. Emich,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Albert K. Young,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Joseph Brooks,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 James E. Van Sant,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 E. Walter Giles,<sup>2</sup> 1917-18.  
 George T. Leech,<sup>2</sup> 1919-35 (transferred to national membership at large).  
 Julius Rosenthal,<sup>2</sup> 1936-38 (died in office).  
 John Liddell,<sup>2</sup> 1938-39 (died in office).  
 Charles F. Daniels,<sup>4</sup> Baltimore, 1940.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.

## MASSACHUSETTS (7)

[Organized May 7, 1867. Membership, December 31, 1940, 40. Posts, 29]

*Department commander*----- SAMUEL SNOW,<sup>1</sup> Marblehead.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- GEORGE N. ALDEN,<sup>1</sup> New Bedford.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- CHARLES F. STAPLES, Leominster.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- GEORGE A. GAY,<sup>1 4</sup> Boston.

## DELEGATES

Dennis Driscoll,<sup>1</sup> Roslindale.  
 Wm. H. Burns, Attleboro.

## ALTERNATES

Prince Phinney, Brookline.  
 James S. Mitchell, Wollaston.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Austin S. Cushman, <sup>2</sup> 1866-67.	J. Payson Bradley, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
A. B. R. Sprague, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	Daniel H. L. Gleason, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
Francis A. Osborn, <sup>2</sup> 1869.	Alfred S. Roe, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
James L. Bates, <sup>2</sup> 1870.	John L. Parker, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
William Cogswell, <sup>2</sup> 1871.	J. Willard Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1910 (died in office).
Henry R. Sibley, <sup>3</sup> 1872.	Granville C. Fiske, <sup>2</sup> 1910-11.
Adin B. Underwood, <sup>2</sup> 1873.	George A. Hosley, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
John W. Kimball, <sup>2</sup> 1874.	Thomas J. Ames, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
George S. Merrill, <sup>2</sup> 1875.	John M. Woods, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Horace B. Sargent, <sup>2</sup> 1876-78.	Alfred H. Knowles, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
John G. B. Adams, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	Francis E. Mole, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
John A. Hawes, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	Daniel E. Denny, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
George W. Creasey, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	Edwin P. Stanley, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
George H. Patch, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	George W. Wilder, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
George S. Evans, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Horace Goodwin, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
John D. Billings, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Edwin F. Morrill, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
John W. Hersey, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Henry Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Richard F. Tobin, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	George W. Pratt, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Charles D. Nash, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Benjamin A. Ham, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
Myron P. Walker, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	William L. Gage, <sup>2</sup> 1925 (died in office).
George L. Goodale, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Henry H. Comey, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
George H. Innis, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	William F. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1926 (died in office)
Arthur A. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Henry A. Monk, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
James K. Churchill, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Edwin J. Foster, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Eli W. Hall, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	James H. Webb, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
Wilfred A. Wetherbee, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Alvin C. Howes, <sup>2</sup> 1930 (died in office).
Joseph W. Thayer, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Waldo Turner, <sup>2</sup> 1930-31.
William P. Derby, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Edwin H. Lincoln, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
John M. Deane, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Frederick H. Bishop, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
William H. Bartlett, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	George A. Gay, <sup>1 4</sup> Nashua, N. H., 1934.
John E. Gilman, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	George W. Green, Jamaica Plain, 1935.
Peter D. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Charles L. Robinson, Melrose, 1936.
Silas A. Barton, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	John E. Bronson, E. Dedham, 1937.
W. W. Blackmar, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	Joseph F. Stoddard, <sup>2</sup> 1938.
Dwight O. Judd, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	Charles E. Miles, <sup>2</sup> 1939.
Lucius Field, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	Dudley L. Page, Lowell, 1940.
James H. Wolff, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from the order.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.



## MICHIGAN (18)

[Organized May 6, 1868; reorganized January 22, 1879. Membership, December 31, 1940, 35. Posts, 21]

*Department commander*----- JOHN M. PARK, Coopersville.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- ORLANDO LE VALLEY,<sup>1</sup> Caro.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- CYRUS PERRIGO, Vassar.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- EUGENE OWEN,<sup>1</sup> Grand Rapids.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

R. A. Alger, <sup>2</sup> (provisional), 1867.	George L. Holmes, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
William A. Throop, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	James M. Greenfield, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
William Humphrey, <sup>2</sup> 1869-70.	Samuel J. Lawrence, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
C. V. R. Pond, <sup>2</sup> 1878-79.	George W. Stone, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
A. T. McReynolds, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	John T. Spillane, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
Byron R. Pierce, <sup>2</sup> 1881-82.	Frank R. Chase, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Oscar A. Janes, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Riley L. Jones, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Rush J. Shauk, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Henry C. Rankin, <sup>2</sup> 1915 (died in office).
Charles D. Long, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Eli Strong, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
John Northwood, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	L. H. Ives, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
L. G. Rutherford, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	William O. Lee, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
Washington Gardner, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	David S. Howard, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
Michael Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1889 (see Montana).	Edwin F. Lamb, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
Henry M. Duffield, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Henry Spaulding, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
Charles L. Eaton, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	J. J. Holmes, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
Henry S. Dean, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	William Mears, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
James H. Kidd, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Lyman A. L. Gilbert, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Louis Kanitz, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Marvin C. Barney, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
S. B. Daboll, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	John Steel, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
William Shakespeare, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	James R. Stephenson, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
Aaron T. Bliss, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Charles A. Bartlett, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
Alex L. Patrick, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	A. C. Estabrook, <sup>2</sup> 1928-30.
Russell R. Pealer, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Orestus Blake, <sup>2</sup> 1931-32.
Ethel M. Allen, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	C. M. Cook, <sup>2</sup> 1933 (died in office).
James Van Kleeck, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	John Killeen, Portland, 1933.
Edward C. Anthony, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	Frank D. Keeler, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
D. B. K. Van Raalte, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	Ira M. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> 1935-36.
George H. Hopkins, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	S. H. Carlton, Kalamazoo, 1937.
E. C. Cannon, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	A. C. Estabrook, <sup>2</sup> 1938.
Joseph P. Griswold, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	A. F. Chappell, <sup>1</sup> Detroit, 1939.
William Jibb, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	A. C. Estabrook, <sup>2</sup> 1940 (died in office).
Charles E. Foote, <sup>2</sup> 1908 (died in office).	Martin J. Warner, <sup>1, 4</sup> Grand Rapids, 1940.

## PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

Eugene Owen,<sup>1, 5</sup> Grand Rapids, 1933.

## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

William Parker, Lake Odessa, 1938.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>5</sup> Assistant adjutant general.

## MINNESOTA (24)

[Organized August 14, 1867; reorganized August 17, 1881. Membership, December 31, 1940, 24. Posts, 15]

*Department commander*----- O. S. PIERCE,<sup>1</sup> Minneapolis.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- LOUIS E. QUINT, Minnehaha Falls.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- WILLIAM MORROW, St. Paul.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- C. H. PERRY,<sup>1 4</sup> Minneapolis.

DELEGATE	ALTERNATES
John McConnell, <sup>1</sup> Le Sueur.	Henry Mack, <sup>1</sup> Minneapolis.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Henry G. Hicks, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	Philip G. Woodward, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Henry A. Castle, <sup>2</sup> 1872-74.	J. A. Everett, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
George H. Johnson, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	William P. Roberts, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
Adam Marty, <sup>2</sup> 1881-82.	Charles H. Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
John P. Rea, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Charles H. Hopkins, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
E. B. Rabb, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Watson W. Hall, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
R. A. Becker, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Charles Van Campen, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
William Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Silas H. Towler, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
L. L. Wheelock, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Edwin F. Kenrick, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
James H. Ege, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	J. D. Budd, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
Alphonse Barto, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	J. A. Town, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
James Compton, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	S. W. Powell, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
Charles D. Parker, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	E. Z. Rasey, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
L. M. Lange, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	W. H. Harrison, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
John Day Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	S. E. Mahan, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
Samuel R. Van Sant, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	W. T. Scram, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
Ell Torrance, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	P. G. Gorman, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
J. J. McCardy, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Jacob Zuber, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
E. B. Wood, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	T. P. Garrett, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
E. W. Mortimer, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	T. H. Peacock, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
D. B. Searle, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	W. H. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
Gideon S. Ives, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	W. L. Hilliard, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
William H. Harries, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	C. M. Peet, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
Perry Starkweather, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	Omar H. Case, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
Isaac L. Mahan, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	Charles H. Cotton, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
Harrison White, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	M. Mullen, <sup>2</sup> 1935.
C. F. MacDonald, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	W. W. Holcomb, <sup>2</sup> 1936.
Levi Longfellow, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	Freman A. Caswell, <sup>2</sup> 1937 (died in office).
George A. Whitney, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	L. E. Carpenter, <sup>2</sup> 1937-38.
Marcus W. Bates, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	C. H. Perry, <sup>1 4</sup> Minneapolis, 1939-40.
Loren W. Collins, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	

S. F. Hammond,<sup>2</sup> 1888, transferred from South Dakota.

J. B. Hoit,<sup>2</sup> 1892, transferred from South Dakota.

## PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

T. C. Wakefield, Hutchinson, 1926.	Watts W. Hubbard, Minneapolis, 1939-40.
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## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

J. E. Farnham, Glenwood, 1936.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>4</sup> National council or administration.

## MISSOURI (25)

[Organized May 16, 1867; reorganized April 22, 1882. Membership, December 31, 1940, 22. Posts, 8]

*Department commander*----- JNO. HOLLINGSWORTH,<sup>1 4</sup> Kansas City.  
*Senior vice department commander*--- WM. KOWAZEK, Hawk Point.  
*Junior vice department commander*--- HORACE E. RIPLEY, Nevada.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- WM. H. OSBORN,<sup>1</sup> Joplin.

## DELEGATE

GEORGE W. JOHNSON,<sup>1</sup> Kansas City.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

William Warner,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 W. F. Chamberlain,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 Nelson Cole,<sup>2</sup> 1885-86.  
 W. E. Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Hiram Smith, Jr.,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 John E. Phelps,<sup>2</sup> 1889 (see Washington and Alaska).  
 Leo Rassieur,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 George W. Martin,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 C. W. Whitehead,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Charles G. Burton,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Louis Grund,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Louis Benecke,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Thomas B. Rodgers,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 John B. Platt,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 A. G. Peterson,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 John W. Scott,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Wilbur F. Henry,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 George Hall,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 Ira T. Bronson,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 R. M. Sterrett,<sup>2</sup> 1903 (see Ohio).  
 Jere T. Dew,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Henry Fairback,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 John M. Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Thomas D. Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 J. V. Martin,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 W. H. Skinner,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Robert N. Denham,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Benjamin Warner,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Charles W. Ruby,<sup>2</sup> 1912.

Arthur Dreifus,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 William Lowe,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 James B. Dobyne,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 Alex McCandless,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 Thomas W. Evans,<sup>2</sup> 1917.  
 Phil F. Coghlan,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 W. C. Calland,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
 Samuel D. Webster,<sup>2</sup> 1920.  
 A. J. P. Barnes,<sup>2</sup> 1921.  
 James H. Hunter,<sup>2</sup> 1922.  
 Samuel M. Mann,<sup>2</sup> 1923.  
 Alfred Zartman,<sup>2</sup> 1924.  
 Charles Kooch,<sup>2</sup> 1925.  
 John W. Lanley,<sup>2</sup> 1926.  
 D. H. Baldrige,<sup>2</sup> 1927.  
 John Ferguson,<sup>2</sup> 1928.  
 Chas. H. Mitchell,<sup>2</sup> 1929.  
 C. P. Woodruff,<sup>2</sup> 1930.  
 P. L. Swartz,<sup>2</sup> 1931.  
 A. M. Reynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1932.  
 R. B. Tyler,<sup>2</sup> 1933.  
 Smith George,<sup>2</sup> 1934.  
 Perry Martin,<sup>2</sup> 1935.  
 Jonathan Hollingsworth,<sup>1 4</sup> Kansas City, 1936.  
 William Kowazek,<sup>5</sup> Hawk Point, 1937.  
 A. J. P. Barnes,<sup>2</sup> 1938.  
 Stephen Thomas,<sup>2</sup> 1939.  
 R. B. Tyler,<sup>2</sup> 1940 (died in office).

## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

C. W. Burrill,<sup>6</sup> Kansas City, 1928.

| Isaac Harry, Licking, 1938.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>5</sup> Senior vice department commander.

<sup>6</sup> Past surgeon general.



## NEBRASKA (17)

[Organized June 11, 1877. Membership 31, 1940, 27. Posts, 10]

*Department commander*----- ALFRED HENDEE,<sup>1</sup> Panama.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- CYRUS FOX, Gandy.  
*Junior vice department commander*-----  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- L. C. McBRIDE, Lincoln.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Paul Van Dervoort, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	L. D. Richards, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
R. H. Wilbur, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	John F. Diener, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
James W. Savage, <sup>2</sup> 1879-80.	A. M. Trimble, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
S. J. Alexander, <sup>2</sup> 1881-82.	M. V. King, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
John C. Bonnell, <sup>3</sup> 1883.	John A. Dempster, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Henry E. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	O. H. Durand, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
A. V. Cole, <sup>2</sup> 1885 (see California and Nevada).	George C. Humphrey, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
John M. Thayer, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	W. H. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
H. C. Russell, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Wilson E. Majors, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
W. C. Henry, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	J. S. Hoagland, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
J. B. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1889 (died in office).	J. B. Strode, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
S. H. Morrison, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Joseph H. Presson, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
T. S. Clarkson, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	W. J. Blystone, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
Joseph Teeter, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	John S. Davisson, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
C. J. Dilworth, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	O. C. Bell, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
A. H. Church, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	S. F. Sanders, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
Church Howe, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	E. F. Brown, Lincoln, 1925.
Clarendon E. Adams, <sup>2</sup> 1895 (see California and Nevada).	J. O. Moore, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
J. H. Culver, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	David Bryson, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
John A. Ehrhardt, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	H. V. Hoagland, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Thomas J. Majors, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Thomas J. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
John E. Evans, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	F. A. Damewood, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
John Reese, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	J. F. Ruppel, <sup>2</sup> 1931 (died in office).
R. S. Wilcox, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	John H. Berger, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
C. F. Steele, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	C. P. Lomax, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
Lee Estelle, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	I. D. Evans, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
Harmon Bross, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	George Johnson, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
John Lett, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	C. H. Kinney, <sup>2</sup> 1935.
John R. Maxson, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	A. F. Rexroad, <sup>4</sup> Omaha, 1936.
Thomas Creigh, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	John Seberg, <sup>2</sup> 1937.
Eli A. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	R. E. Coleman, <sup>1</sup> Lincoln, 1938.
	H. S. Woodworth, <sup>2</sup> 1939.
	John S. Davisson, <sup>2</sup> 1940 (died in office).

Griff J. Thomas,<sup>2</sup> 1879-1881, transferred from Wisconsin.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from order.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.



## NEW HAMPSHIRE (12)

[Organized June 30, 1868. Membership, December 31, 1940, 4. Posts, 3]

*Department commander*----- LYMAN E. BUTTERFIELD,<sup>1</sup> Manchester.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- ROBERT E. WHEELER, Manchester.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- GEORGE W. WOODS, Keene.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- FRANK E. AMADON,<sup>1 4</sup> Keene.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Matthew T. Betton, <sup>2</sup> 1867.	William S. Pillsbury, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
William R. Patten, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	Augustus D. Sanborn, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Daniel J. Vaughan, <sup>2</sup> 1869.	Charles W. Stevens, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
James E. Larkin, <sup>2</sup> 1870.	Albert D. Scovell, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Augustus H. Bixby, <sup>2</sup> 1871.	Henry E. Conant, <sup>2</sup> 1911 (died in office).
William H. Trickey, <sup>2</sup> 1872.	William A. Beckford, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Timothy W. Challis, <sup>2</sup> 1873-74.	George K. Stratton, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
Alvin S. Eaton, <sup>2</sup> 1875.	David R. Roys, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Charles J. Richards, <sup>2</sup> 1876-78.	O. B. Douglass, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
George Bowers, <sup>2</sup> 1879-80.	M. B. Plummer, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Martin A. Haynes, <sup>2</sup> 1881-82.	Reuben T. Leavitt, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
John C. Linehan, <sup>2</sup> 1883-84.	Charles W. Hobbs, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
Marcus M. Collis, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Eugene Wason, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
George Farr, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Frank W. Wilson, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
Otis G. Wyatt, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	James H. Hunt, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
A. B. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Arthur Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
James F. Grimes, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	J. N. Patterson, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Thomas Cogswell, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	J. C. Lewis, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Everett B. Huse, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	William Blair, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
Daniel Hall, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	J. R. Squires, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
Frank G. Noyes, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Albert T. Barr, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
David R. Pierce, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Eben C. Chase, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
Charles E. Buzzell, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Joseph Willis, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Lewis W. Aldrich, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	O. P. Murdick, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
James Minot, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Wm. H. Fish, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
A. S. Twitchell, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Henry S. Paul, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
Horace L. Worcester, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Charles H. Estes, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
D. E. Proctor, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Wm. J. M. Blackmun, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
A. C. Haines, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	George I. Horne, <sup>2</sup> 1934 (died in office).
William S. Carter, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	James R. Ashton, <sup>2</sup> 1935 (died in office).
Edwin E. Parker, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	Frank E. Amadon, <sup>1 4</sup> Keene, 1935-36.
Henry O. Kent, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	Lyman E. Butterfield, <sup>1 3</sup> Manchester,
Daniel B. Newhall, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	1937-40.
Osman B. Warren, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Department commander.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.

## NEW JERSEY (8)

[Organized December 10, 1867. Membership, December 31, 1940, 10. Posts, 7]

*Department commander*----- Wm. H. McCoy,<sup>1 4</sup> Trenton.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- PETER A. VAN KIRK, Princeton.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- WILLIAM PERRINE, Plainfield.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- GEORGE M. DEY, Ocean Grove.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

E. Jardine, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	James M. Atwood, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
William Ward, <sup>2</sup> 1869-70.	Charles Currie, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
Richard H. Lee, <sup>2</sup> 1871-72.	Alfred Atkins, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
John R. Goble, <sup>2</sup> 1873.	Arthur W. Tench, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
Charles Burrows, <sup>2</sup> 1874-75.	John Foran, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
E. W. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	James F. Connelly, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
John Muller, <sup>2</sup> 1877-78.	James Inglis, Jr., <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Samuel Hufty, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	Adrian S. Appleget, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
George W. Gile, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	Terrance J. McDonald, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
Charles H. Houghton, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	John W. Bodine, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
E. L. Campbell, 1882. <sup>2</sup>	Forman J. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> 1914 (died in office).
George Fielder, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Samuel G. Garretson, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Henry M. Nevius, <sup>2</sup> 1884-85.	William F. Washington, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Frank O. Cole, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	William O. Allen, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
J. L. Wheeler, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Walter S. Tully, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
E. Burd Grubb, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	George E. Boyd, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
W. E. B. Miller, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	A. J. Washburn, <sup>2</sup> 1919 (died in office).
A. M. Matthews, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Frank Briden, Sr., <sup>2</sup> 1919.
James R. Mullikin, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	John T. McNeil, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
R. A. Donnelly, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Isaac Cole, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
H. L. Hartshorn, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	James A. Rikeman, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
John Shields, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	P. J. Lydecker, <sup>2</sup> 1923-24.
Henry S. White, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Leonard L. Roray, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
Ernest C. Stahl, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Joseph A. Goodrich, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
Emanuel Sands, <sup>2</sup> 1897 (died in office).	Augustus Van Giesen, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
Samuel G. Hayter, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Charles Hopper, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
William C. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Spencer Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
George Barrett, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	John H. Conger, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
E. V. Richards, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	William A. Buckbee, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
J. Lawrence, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	William H. Bilbee, <sup>2</sup> 1932-34.
Enos F. Hann, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	Wm. H. McCoy, <sup>1 4</sup> Trenton, 1935-40.
Stephen M. Long, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.

## NEW YORK (5)

[Organized April 3, 1867. Membership, December 31, 1940, 85. Posts, 34]

*Department commander*----- EDWIN MORRIS,<sup>1</sup> Elmira.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- GEORGE H. HOWARD, Buffalo.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- JOHN W. HAYS, Brookview.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- ROBERT M. ROWND,<sup>1 3</sup> Ripley.

## DELEGATES

Charles Gray, Celoron.  
 Robert G. Summers, Brooklyn.  
 John E. Banks, Pawling.

## ALTERNATES

Charles Jennett, Old Forge.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

James B. McKean,<sup>2</sup> 1866-67.  
 Daniel E. Sickles,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 Edwin B. Lansing,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 John C. Robinson,<sup>2</sup> 1870.  
 Henry A. Barnum,<sup>2</sup> 1871-72.  
 Stephen P. Corliss,<sup>2</sup> 1873.  
 Edward Jardine,<sup>2</sup> 1874.  
 John Palmer,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 James Tanner,<sup>2</sup> 1876-77.  
 William F. Rogers,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 James McQuade,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 L. Coe Young,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 Abram Merritt,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 James S. Fraser,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 John A. Reynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Ira M. Hedges,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 H. Clay Hall,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Joseph I. Sayles,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 George H. Treadwell,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 N. Martin Curtis,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Harrison Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Floyd Clarkson,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Charles H. Freeman,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Theodore L. Poole,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Joseph P. Cleary,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 John C. Shotts,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Edward J. Atkinson,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 James S. Graham,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Albert D. Shaw,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 Anson S. Wood,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Joseph W. Kay,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 N. P. Pond,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Charles A. Orr,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 Allan C. Bakewell,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 John S. Koster,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Henry N. Burhans,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 James N. Snyder,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 John S. Maxwell,<sup>2</sup> 1906.

Harlan J. Swift,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 William H. Daniels,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 M. J. Cummings,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 DeWitt C. Hurd,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 George B. Loud,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Oscar Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 Samuel C. Pierce,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 James D. Bell,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Zan L. Tidball,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 Solomon W. Russell,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 William F. Kirchner,<sup>2</sup> 1917.  
 Lewis S. Pilcher,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 Joseph E. Ewell,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
 Alfred E. Stacey,<sup>2</sup> 1920.  
 Isidore Isaacs,<sup>2</sup> 1921.  
 Calvin A. Brainard,<sup>2</sup> 1922.  
 Thomas J. McConekey,<sup>2</sup> 1923.  
 Henry L. Keene,<sup>2</sup> 1924.  
 Duncan J. McMillan,<sup>2</sup> 1925.  
 John Van Duyen,<sup>2</sup> 1926.  
 George W. Flynn,<sup>2</sup> 1927 (died in office).  
 William M. Chatham,<sup>2</sup> 1928 (died in office).  
 Henry Lilly, Rochester, 1928.  
 William P. Griffith,<sup>2</sup> 1928.  
 Martin V. Stone,<sup>2</sup> 1929.  
 George H. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1930.  
 Calvin L. Vincent,<sup>2</sup> 1931.  
 Henry J. Kearney,<sup>2</sup> 1932 (died in office).  
 Frank E. Cooley,<sup>5</sup> Rensselaer, 1933.  
 John Maxwell,<sup>2</sup> 1933.  
 Josiah C. Read,<sup>2</sup> 1934.  
 Robert M. Rownd,<sup>1 3</sup> Ripley, 1935.  
 George C. Eldredge,<sup>2</sup> 1936.  
 Joseph Bauer,<sup>2</sup> 1937.  
 Thomas H. Stritch,<sup>1 4</sup> Brooklyn, 1938-39.  
 Henry Lilly,<sup>5</sup> Rochester, 1940.

De Alva S. Alexander,<sup>2</sup> 1884, transferred from Potomac.  
 W. L. Palmer,<sup>2</sup> 1899, transferred from South Dakota.  
 A. E. Sholes,<sup>2</sup> 1891, transferred from Georgia and South Carolina.  
 David R. Wilson,<sup>2</sup> 1906, transferred from Virginia and North Carolina.  
 John C. Gipson,<sup>2</sup> 1902, transferred from Oklahoma (see California and Nevada).

## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Ringgold W. Carman, Flushing, 1922. | Jacob Lester, Binghamton, 1931.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Past commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.<sup>5</sup> Department commander, 1928.



## NORTH DAKOTA (43)

[Organized April 23, 1890. Membership, December 31, 1940, 2. Posts, 2]

*Department commander*----- J. W. CARROLL,<sup>5</sup> Lisbon.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- D. G. DUELL,<sup>4</sup> Devils Lake.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Harrison Allen, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	George W. Kurtz, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
George B. Winship, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	G. B. Vallandigham, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
William A. Bentley, <sup>2</sup> 1891 (see Cali- fornia and Nevada).	Alexander Hay, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Samuel G. Roberts, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	John L. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
John D. Black, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Henry Beal, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
James M. O'Neale, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Christian Schmidt, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
A. P. Rounseville, <sup>2</sup> 1895 (see Florida).	J. W. Carroll, <sup>5</sup> Lisbon, 1918.
William H. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	James McCormick, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
Edward C. Geary, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	David B. McClain, <sup>2</sup> 1920 (died in office).
Edwin Southard, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Orange A. Potter, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
William Ackerman, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Charles P. Stearns, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
Freeman Orcutt, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Smith Stimmel, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
D. G. Duell, <sup>4</sup> Devils Lake, 1901.	H. F. Dinsmore, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
John C. Gipson, <sup>2</sup> 1902 (see Oklahoma).	T. C. Conklin, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
H. J. Rowe, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	George Hawks, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
D. F. Siegfried, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	John A. Seright, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
Joseph Hare, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	Charles Cotter, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
B. F. Bigelow, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	R. M. Donnelly, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Sylvester J. Hill, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	R. D. Bagley, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
J. L. Richmond, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	C. H. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
Halsey Curry, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	A. W. Parmenter, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
Albert Roberts, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	M. Skarison, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
James H. Matthews, <sup>2</sup> 1911.	J. W. Carroll, <sup>5</sup> Lisbon, 1933-40.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.<sup>5</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.



## OHIO (4)

[Organized January 30, 1867. Membership, December 31, 1940, 44. Posts, 30]

*Department commander*----- DAVID M. ROBBINS,<sup>1</sup> South Vienna.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- JOHN SMICK,<sup>1</sup> Kenton.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- JOHN R. BENNETT,<sup>1</sup> Waynesfield.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- BYRON W. JOSLIN,<sup>1 4</sup> Sidney.

## DELEGATES

Lewis M. Hieston,<sup>1</sup> Pleasantville.      | W. L. Hooper,<sup>1</sup> Columbus.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

B. F. Potts, <sup>2</sup> 1866.	W. S. Rogers, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
Thomas L. Young, <sup>2</sup> 1867.	John H. Sharer, <sup>2</sup> 1908 (died in office).
J. Warren Keifer, <sup>2</sup> 1868-70.	George Hall, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
William C. Bunts, <sup>2</sup> 1871-72.	Charles H. Newton, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
G. M. Barber, <sup>2</sup> 1873-74.	Henry A. Axline, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Alvin C. Voris, <sup>2</sup> 1875.	J. F. Johnston, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
William Earnshaw, <sup>2</sup> 1876-77.	Charles W. Blodgett, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
Nathan L. Guthrie, <sup>2</sup> 1878 (died in office).	W. R. Warnock, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
James H. Seymour, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	J. Kent Hamilton, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
James H. Steadman, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	Seeley P. Mount, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
David W. Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	W. H. Surles, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
John S. Kountz, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	W. A. Pittenger, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
Charles T. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1882-83.	D. M. Hall, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
H. P. Lloyd, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	H. C. Martindale, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
R. B. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	John M. Adams, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
Arthur L. Conger, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	M. J. Sloan, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
D. C. Putnam, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Gaylord M. Saltzgaber, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Joseph W. O'Neill, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Daniel S. Wilder, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
S. H. Hurst, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Edmund Burdsall, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
P. H. Dowling, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	John Ambler, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
A. M. Warner, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Levi H. Derby, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
Isaac F. Mack, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Jacob Secrest, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
L. H. Williams, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	John McClay, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
E. E. Nutt, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Salonas A. Williams, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
Charles Townsend, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	W. A. Talbott, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
E. L. Lybarger, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Ayres B. Adams, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
Henry Kissinger, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	S. F. Bell, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
David F. Pugh, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	O. A. Marvin, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
Thomas R. Shinn, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Charles J. McDargh, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
Elias R. Monfort, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Henry F. Russell, <sup>2</sup> 1935.
Emmet F. Taggart, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Francis S. Layton, <sup>2</sup> 1936.
Walton Weber, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	Theodore Wells, <sup>1</sup> Cambridge, 1937.
Arthur C. Yengling, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	Frederick Pfister, <sup>1</sup> Cincinnati, 1938.
B. M. Moulton, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	Frank S. Morris, <sup>1</sup> Chardon, 1939.
Amos Huffman, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	Thomas Ridenour, <sup>1</sup> Crestline, 1940.
George A. Harmon, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	

## PAST JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

John Grate, Atwater, 1940.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.

## OKLAHOMA (44)

[Organized August 7, 1890. Membership, December 31, 1940, 27. Post, 1. Department of Indian Territory merged with Oklahoma at Joint Encampment held at Guthrie, May 19-22, 1908]

*Department commander*----- SYLVESTER S. PATTERSON, Tonkawa.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- ALBERT RAY, Hinton.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- MOSES RATLEDGE, Cherokee.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- E. H. SAWYER.<sup>1 4</sup> Minco.

## DELEGATES

J. T. McKibben, Ardmore.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

C. M. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	George W. Billings, <sup>2</sup> 1914 (died in office).
G. M. Coulton, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	George W. Fletcher <sup>2</sup> 1914.
D. F. Wyatt, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	A. A. Beasler, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
T. H. Soward, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Albert Reeves, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
J. P. Cummings, <sup>2</sup> 1894 (see California and Nevada).	J. C. White, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
H. G. Trosper, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	F. E. Hills, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
W. H. Cater, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	F. M. Cline, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
C. R. Young, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	W. S. Tilton, <sup>2</sup> 1920 (see California and Nevada).
G. D. Munger, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Jacob Amberg, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
J. J. S. Hassler, <sup>2</sup> 1899 (died in office).	W. F. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
I. W. Rush, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	J. J. Lyons, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
M. L. Mock, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	J. W. Garner, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
James E. Burns, <sup>2</sup> 1901 (see California and Nevada).	J. H. Norton, <sup>2</sup> 1925 (died in office).
Wesley Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	J. H. Luman, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
Cyrus P. Green, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	R. D. McGinley, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
S. P. Strahan, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	W. T. Deupree, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
G. M. Parks, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	R. L. Johnson, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
Peter A. Becker, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	A. W. Lee, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
W. H. Hornaday, <sup>2</sup> 1907 (see California and Nevada).	J. W. Bridges, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
H. Veatch, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	A. C. Sims, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
William Higgins, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	L. C. Coffin, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
B. N. Turk, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	A. C. Sims, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
Wilberforce Jones, <sup>2</sup> 1911.	J. W. Garner, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
W. R. Kelley, <sup>2</sup> 1912.	N. D. McGinley, <sup>2</sup> 1935-37 (died in office).
L. C. Coffin, Elgin, <sup>3</sup> 1913.	Aaron Fagin, <sup>2</sup> 1937 (died in office).
	S. Patterson, <sup>3</sup> Tonkawa, 1938-40.

## FROM DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN TERRITORY BY MERGER, MAY 19-22, 1908

E. Calkins, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Gideon S. White, <sup>2</sup> 1899.
B. F. Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	John S. Hammer, <sup>2</sup> 1900-1902.
J. H. Spann, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	J. A. Rose, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
Savelon Boyles, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Robert Ross, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
J. L. Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Samuel H. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
William H. Harrison, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	J. F. Ayers, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
R. M. J. Shriver, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	A. G. Krutchmer, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
David Redfield, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	

D. W. Eastman,<sup>2</sup> 1898, transferred from Kansas.

John C. Gipson,<sup>2</sup> 1902, transferred from North Dakota (see California and Nevada).

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> Department commander.

<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.

## OREGON (26)

[Organized September 28, 1882. Membership, December 31, 1940, 6 Posts, 2]

Department commander----- T. A. PENLAND,<sup>1 4</sup> Portland.  
 Senior vice department commander----- HENRY HOPKINS,<sup>3</sup> Newberg.  
 Junior vice department commander-----  
 Assistant adjutant general-----

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

N. S. Pierce,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 G. E. Caulkin,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 F. J. Babcock,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 F. H. Lamb,<sup>2</sup> 1885-86.  
 M. L. Olmstead,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 A. E. Borthwick,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 E. B. McElroy,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 James A. Varney,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Owen Summers,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 H. H. Northup,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 J. C. Cooper,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 S. B. Ormsby,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 E. W. Allen,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 D. C. Sherman, 1896.  
 Frank Reisner,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 C. P. Holloway,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 H. V. Gates,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 A. J. Goodbrod,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 J. A. Sladen,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 M. L. Pratt,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 David H. Turner,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 B. F. Pike,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 T. E. Hills,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Hamer Sutcliffe,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 S. F. Blythe,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 J. T. Apperson,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 James P. Shaw,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 W. J. R. Beach,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Newton Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Thomas B. McDevitt,<sup>2</sup> 1912.

S. W. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 H. S. Fargo,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 George A. Harding,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 Joseph E. Hall,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 J. G. Chambers,<sup>5</sup> 1917.  
 Tillman H. Stevens,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 Daniel Webster,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
 J. T. Butler,<sup>2</sup> 1920.  
 C. A. Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1921.  
 D. L. McKay,<sup>2</sup> 1922.  
 George R. Castner,<sup>2</sup> 1923.  
 Henry E. Dosch,<sup>2</sup> 1924 (died in office).  
 J. L. Crow,<sup>2</sup> 1924.  
 J. F. Nelson,<sup>2</sup> 1925.  
 William Clemens,<sup>2</sup> 1926.  
 H. S. Lillagar,<sup>2</sup> 1927.  
 William Clemens,<sup>2</sup> 1928.  
 L. C. Washburn,<sup>2</sup> 1929 (died in office).  
 Charles True,<sup>2</sup> 1929 (died in office).  
 Gideon Stolz,<sup>2</sup> 1929.  
 William M. Colvig,<sup>2</sup> 1930.  
 Charles M. Eichler,<sup>2</sup> 1931.  
 J. W. Jones,<sup>2</sup> 1932.  
 H. V. Gates,<sup>2</sup> 1933-34 (died in office).  
 J. W. Ridge,<sup>2</sup> 1935.  
 John C. Thompson,<sup>2</sup> 1936 (died in office).  
 Z. T. Bryant,<sup>2</sup> 1937 (died in office).  
 Henry Hopkins,<sup>3</sup> Newberg, 1937.  
 T. A. Penland,<sup>1 4</sup> Portland, 1937-40.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> National council of administration.<sup>4</sup> National patriotic instructor.<sup>5</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from order.



## PENNSYLVANIA (3)

[Organized January 16, 1867. Membership, December 31, 1940, 7. Posts, 2]

Department commander----- A. W. GABRIO,<sup>1 4</sup> Hazelton.  
 Senior vice department commander----- J. L. CHAPMAN, Scranton.  
 Junior vice department commander----- DENNIS C. CASTERLIN, Philadelphia.  
 Assistant adjutant general----- A. T. ANDERSON,<sup>1 3</sup> Washington.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> 1866-67.	J. Andrew Wilt, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
A. L. Pearson, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	M. A. Gherst, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
O. C. Bosbyshell, <sup>2</sup> 1869.	William T. Powell, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
Howard J. Reeder, <sup>2</sup> 1870-71.	P. De Lacy, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Frank Reeder, <sup>2</sup> 1872.	Thad M. Mahon, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Robert B. Beath, <sup>2</sup> 1873.	L. W. Moore, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
A. Wilson Norris, <sup>2</sup> 1874.	N. P. Kingsley, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
W. W. Tyson, <sup>2</sup> 1875.	Thomas H. Cole, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
James W. Latta, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	William J. Wells, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Samuel I. Givin, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	John A. Fairman, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Charles T. Hull, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	C. C. Gramlich, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
George L. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	L. F. Arensberg, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Chill W. Hazard, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	Noah Dietrich, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
John Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	J. D. Hicks, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
John M. Vanderslice, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	George W. Rhoads, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
E. S. Osborne, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	C. H. William Ruhe, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
Frederick H. Dyer, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Charles C. Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
F. Austin Curtin, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	W. F. Hambright, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
J. P. S. Gobin, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	J. J. Shoemaker, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
Samuel Harper, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	H. H. Spayd, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
Frank J. Magee, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	A. M. Breckenridge, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
Thomas J. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Samuel P. Town, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
Joseph F. Denniston, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	John B. Patrick, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
George G. Boyer, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	George I. Rudolph, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
John P. Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Phil Engelskirger, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
Thomas G. Sample, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Charles W. Meconnahey, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
William Emsley, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	John R. Steele, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
H. H. Cumings, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Jacob Barron, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
Alfred Darte, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	A. T. Anderson, <sup>1 3</sup> Washington, 1933.
William D. Stauffer, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	George W. Gillett, <sup>2</sup> 1934-35.
William J. Patterson, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	William W. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> 1936 (died in office).
James F. Morrison, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	John Little, <sup>2</sup> 1936 (died in office).
Charles Miller, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	A. T. Anderson, <sup>1 3</sup> Washington, 1937.
Levi G. McCauley, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	C. H. William Ruhe, <sup>2</sup> 1938-39.
R. P. Scott, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	A. W. Gabrio, <sup>1 4</sup> Hazelton, 1940.
Edwin Walton, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	
John McNevin, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	

James E. Porter,<sup>2</sup> 1895, transferred from Virginia and North Carolina.  
 James M. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1898, transferred from Virginia and North Carolina.

## PAST SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

George Sands,<sup>5</sup> Pittsburgh, 1937<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Past commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.<sup>5</sup> Past adjutant general.



## RHODE ISLAND (11)

[Organized March 24, 1868. Membership, December 31, 1940, 2. Post, 1]

*Department commander*----- EDWARD F. GILLET, <sup>4</sup> Providence.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- JOHN RILEY, Hope.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- JOSEPH T. RAY, Newport.  
*Assistant adjutant general*-----

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Ambrose E. Burnside,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 Horatio Rogers,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 Charles R. Brayton,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
 Elisha M. Rhodes,<sup>2</sup> 1872-73.  
 Edwin Metcalf,<sup>2</sup> 1874.  
 Edwin C. Pomeroy,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 Charles H. Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 Henry J. Spooner,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
 Fred A. Arnold,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 Henry R. Barker,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 Charles C. Gray,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 William H. P. Steers,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 Henry F. Jenks,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Philip S. Chase,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Andrew J. McMahon,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 Eugene A. Cory,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Theodore A. Barton,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Benjamin L. Hall,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Gideon Spencer,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Alonzo Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Benjamin F. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Benjamin H. Child,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 David S. Ray,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 George T. Cranston,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Charles H. Baker,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Daniel R. Ballou,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 William E. Stone,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Livingston Scott,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 Samuel W. K. Allen,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Charles O. Ballou,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Walter A. Reed,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Charles P. Moies,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 George H. Cheney,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 James S. Hudson,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Joseph Wooley,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Ezra K. Parker,<sup>2</sup> 1905.

George L. Greene,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Edward Wilcox,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 William O. Milne,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Francello G. Jillson,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Charles H. Ewer,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Ezra Dixon,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Thomas M. Holden,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 George H. Cheek,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Gilbert Wilson,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Henry J. Pickersgill,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 Joseph Gough,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 Augustine A. Mann,<sup>2</sup> 1917.  
 Murdock C. McKenzie,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 Fred A. Burt,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
 William Massie,<sup>2</sup> 1920.  
 Fred S. Oatley,<sup>2</sup> 1921.  
 Samuel A. Wheldon,<sup>2</sup> 1922.  
 Zophar Skinner,<sup>2</sup> 1923.  
 George R. Saunders,<sup>2</sup> 1924.  
 William F. Comrie,<sup>2</sup> 1925.  
 Robert M. Pollard,<sup>2</sup> 1926.  
 Christopher M. Carpenter,<sup>2</sup> 1927-28  
 (died in office).  
 William Dunham,<sup>2</sup> 1928.  
 Charles H. Lewis,<sup>2</sup> 1929-30.  
 Charles H. Bullock,<sup>2</sup> 1931.  
 Henry A. Knox,<sup>2</sup> 1932 (died in office).  
 James A. Alger,<sup>2</sup> 1933.  
 Fred S. Oatley,<sup>2</sup> 1934.  
 Martin S. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1935-36 (died in  
 office).  
 Charles H. Lewis,<sup>2</sup> 1936-38 (died in  
 office).  
 Charles H. Bullock,<sup>2</sup> 1939 (died in  
 office).  
 Jeremiah Hopkins,<sup>2</sup> 1940 (died in office).

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.

## SOUTH DAKOTA (29)

[Organized March 20, 1883. Membership, December 31, 1939, 5. Posts, 2]

No report.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

Thomas S. Free, <sup>2</sup> 1883-84.	Warren G. Osborn, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
W. V. Lucas, <sup>2</sup> 1885-86 (see California and Nevada).	Alex S. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Harrison Allen, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	N. H. Kingman, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
S. F. Hammond, <sup>2</sup> 1888 (see Minnesota).	Thomas H. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
George A. Silsby, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	O. S. Gifford, <sup>2</sup> 1912 (died in office).
E. T. Langley, <sup>2</sup> 1890 (see California and Nevada).	H. L. Ferry, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
C. S. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1891 (see Vermont).	John L. Jolley, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
J. B. Hoit, <sup>2</sup> 1892 (see Minnesota).	C. A. B. Fox, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
N. C. Nash, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	C. S. Blodgett, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
George W. Carpenter, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Walter H. Carr, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
S. R. Drake, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	J. C. Luce, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
John Ackley, <sup>2</sup> 1896 (died in office).	James S. Sebree, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
J. F. Baker, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	A. L. Van Osdel, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
C. B. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	E. L. Hurlburt, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
E. P. Farr, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	John E. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
W. L. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1899 (see New York).	A. L. Van Osdel, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Philip Lawrence, <sup>2</sup> 1900 (see California and Nevada).	H. P. Carson, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
George W. Snow, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	H. P. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
Thomas E. Blanchard, <sup>2</sup> 1902 (see California and Nevada).	W. H. Cornell, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
Thomas Reed, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	R. T. Sedam, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
H. P. Packard, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	G. W. Dewey, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
J. B. Wolgemuth, <sup>2</sup> 1905 (see Montana).	H. C. Smith, Kimball, 1928.
N. I. Lowthian, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	W. A. Drake, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
T. C. DeJean, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	E. L. Hurlburt, <sup>2</sup> 1930-31.
	F. Burke O'Brien, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
	W. A. Drake, <sup>2</sup> 1933-35.
	Levi Van Voorhis, <sup>2</sup> 1936-41.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

## TEXAS (38)

[Organized March 25, 1885. Membership, December 31, 1940, 5. Post, 1]

*Department commander*----- JOHN SHEARER,<sup>1 4</sup> Houston.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- LEVI CORBIN, Dallas.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- CHARLES SICKLES, San Antonio.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- I. W. ELLIS, Houston.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

W. D. Wylie,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 O. T. Lyon,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 W. H. Sinclair,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 J. C. De Gress,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 A. G. Malloy,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 A. K. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 M. W. Mann,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 O. G. Peterson,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 J. W. Parks,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 R. M. Moore,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 W. W. Bostwick,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 G. W. McCormick,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Ed. N. Ketchum,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 W. F. Conner,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 John Roach,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Charles B. Peck,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 P. B. Hunt,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 C. C. Haskell,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 John H. Bolton,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 John L. Boyd,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 E. A. Russell,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 H. W. Harvey,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 L. L. Whitaker,<sup>2</sup> 1907.

T. M. Wingate,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Calvin R. Hubbard,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 J. S. Dunlap,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 W. S. Kretsinger,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 E. P. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 Sidney Tuttle,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Robert McCormick,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 C. S. Brodbent,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 C. A. Cahoon,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 M. B. Young,<sup>2</sup> 1917.  
 Anson Miller,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 Edward Loomis,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
 Max Hart,<sup>2</sup> 1920.  
 G. E. Allgaier,<sup>2</sup> 1921.  
 R. P. Cooper,<sup>2</sup> 1922.  
 W. H. Blake,<sup>2</sup> 1923.  
 John Buchanan,<sup>2</sup> 1924.  
 John Shearer,<sup>1 4</sup> Houston, 1925.  
 D. L. Wagner,<sup>2</sup> 1926.  
 L. D. Daggett,<sup>2</sup> 1927.  
 F. J. Yingling,<sup>2</sup> 1928.  
 A. W. Robbins,<sup>2</sup> 1929.  
 John Shearer,<sup>1 4</sup> Houston, 1939-40.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.

## UTAH (33)

[Organized October 8, 1883. Membership, December 31, 1940, 1. Post, 1]

*Department commander*-----IRA STORMES,<sup>1 4</sup> Salt Lake City.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

George C. Douglas, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Henry P. Burns, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
Ransford Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	E. T. Hulaniski, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
H. C. Wardleigh, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	B. M. Sperry, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
Elijah Sells, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Alfred Kent, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
Eli H. Murray, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	R. G. Sleater, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Nathan H. Kimball, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Lucian L. Smyth, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Henry T. Snyder, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	T. C. Lundy, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Henry Page, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	A. B. Lawrence, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Frank Hoffman, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	J. W. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1912 (died in office).
James R. Elliott, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Frank H. Hall, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
J. W. Greenman, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Reuben Oehler, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
T. C. Iliff, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	N. A. Heath, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
C. O. Farnsworth, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	H. G. Rollins, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
M. M. Kellogg, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	N. D. Corser, <sup>2</sup> 1916-17.
T. C. Bailey, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	J. C. A. Warfield, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
N. H. Ives, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	C. W. A. Schnell, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
M. M. Kaighn, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Ezra D. Haskins, <sup>2</sup> 1920-21.
M. A. Breeden, <sup>2</sup> 1900 (see California and Nevada).	A. Van Patten, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Rudolph, Alff, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	W. L. Goodsell, <sup>2</sup> 1923-25.
W. M. Bostaph, <sup>2</sup> 1902 (see California and Nevada).	L. L. Hudson, <sup>2</sup> 1926-27.
F. H. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	W. R. Smethers, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
	Elias Price, <sup>2</sup> 1929-34.
	Ira Stormes, <sup>1 4</sup> Salt Lake City, 1935-40.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.



## VERMONT (13)

[Organized December 23, 1868. Membership, December 31, 1940, 3. Post, 1]

*Department commander*----- CHAS. A. HEYER,<sup>1 4</sup> St. Johnsbury.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- CHAS. EMERSON, Lyme, N. H.  
*Assistant adjutant general*-----

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

George P. Foster, <sup>2</sup> 1868-69.	A. C. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
W. W. Henry, <sup>2</sup> 1870-71.	C. E. Beach, <sup>2</sup> 1908 (see Florida).
W. G. Veazey, <sup>2</sup> 1872-73.	A. B. Franklin, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Stephen Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1874-75.	E. J. Foster, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Theodore S. Peck, <sup>2</sup> 1875-76.	C. M. Ferrin, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
J. H. Goulding, <sup>2</sup> 1878-79.	A. A. Niles, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
G. W. Hooker, <sup>2</sup> 1880-81.	Thomas Hannon, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
A. B. Valentine, <sup>2</sup> 1882-83.	Edward Baker, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
C. C. Kinsman, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	George P. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
W. L. Greenleaf, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	H. C. Streeter, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
G. T. Childs, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	C. T. S. Pierce, <sup>2</sup> 1917-18.
P. D. Blodgett, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	A. T. Woodward, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
H. E. Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	L. W. Bush, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
A. S. Tracy, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	John R. Wilson, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
Z. M. Mansur, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Charles H. Cota, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
D. L. Morgan, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	C. H. Granger, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
H. Henry, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	C. H. Stone, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
G. W. Doty, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	W. W. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
C. F. Branch, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	A. C. Stoughton, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
B. Cannon, Jr., <sup>2</sup> 1895.	L. P. Butts, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
N. M. Puffer, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	W. H. Pierce, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
E. W. Jewett, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	J. H. Amadon, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
L. B. Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	W. W. Holden, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
F. G. Butterfield, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	W. T. Reed, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
U. A. Woodbury, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Charles Heyer, <sup>1 4</sup> St. Johnsbury, 1932.
J. H. Lucia, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	John Amadon, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
R. E. Hathorn, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	Harvey S. Powers, <sup>2</sup> 1934-37 (died in office).
Frank Kenfield, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	Charles A. Heyer, <sup>1 4</sup> St. Johnsbury, 1938- 40.
J. E. Eldredge, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	
S. H. Wood, <sup>2</sup> 1905 (see Florida).	
J. A. Sheldon, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	
C. S. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1899, transferred from South Dakota.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>4</sup> National council or administration.

## WASHINGTON AND ALASKA (30)

[Organized June 20, 1883. Membership, December 31, 1940, 26. Posts, 13]

*Department commander*----- RUSTAN O. REED,<sup>1 3</sup> Seattle.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- S. B. TIFT, Everett.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- Z. L. GILBERT, Seattle.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- BRIGHAM BUSWELL, Seattle.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

F. W. Sparling, <sup>2</sup> provisional, 1878-82.	F. H. Hurd, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
George D. Hill, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	R. R. Harding, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
H. A. Morrow, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	J. E. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
A. M. Brooks, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	H. R. Gale, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
C. M. Holton, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	H. W. North, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
A. P. Curry, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	J. E. Gandy, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
J. W. Sprague, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	John J. See, <sup>2</sup> 1917 (see California and Nevada).
C. S. Cosgrove, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	S. F. Street, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
M. M. Holmes, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	A. A. Stevens, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
D. G. Lovell, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	O. D. McDonald, <sup>2</sup> 1920 (see California and Nevada).
J. Sox Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	J. H. Coffman, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
J. F. Sinclair, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Enoch Sears, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
J. N. Scott, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	W. P. Cragin, <sup>2</sup> 1923 (died in office).
Norman Buck, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	John A. Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
C. T. Patterson, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	A. P. Lawrence, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
J. F. McLean, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	William J. Baker, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
George W. Tibbetts, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	J. H. Shaw, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
J. W. Langley, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Byron Phelps, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
B. R. Freeman, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Henry P. Burdick, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
H. A. Bigelow, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Willis Richardson, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
B. C. Bedell, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	W. W. Work, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
T. H. Cavanaugh, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	R. W. Black, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
F. M. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1904 (see California and Nevada).	T. F. Coley, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
J. T. Goss, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	Rustan O. Reed, <sup>1 3</sup> Seattle, 1933-34.
C. B. Dunning, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	D. L. Crossen, <sup>2</sup> 1935.
W. H. Mock, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	George L. Foster, <sup>4</sup> Denver, Colo., 1936.
George H. Boardman, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	L. A. Wilcox, <sup>1</sup> Retsil, 1937.
Lyman Banks, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	Rustan O. Reed, <sup>1 3</sup> Seattle, 1938-40.
W. H. Wiscombe, <sup>2</sup> 1910 (see California and Nevada).	

John E. Phelps,<sup>2</sup> 1889, transferred from Missouri.E. A. Shores,<sup>2</sup> 1893, transferred from Wisconsin.<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Junior vice commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.

## WEST VIRGINIA (28)

[Organized April 9, 1868; reorganized February 20, 1883. Membership, December 31, 1940, 5. Posts, 2]

*Department commander*----- A. T. McMURRAY,<sup>1 4</sup> Washington.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- JOSEPH A. PYLE, Bridgeport, Ohio.  
*Junior vice department commander*-----  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- SIMEON AUSTIN, Morgantown.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

W. H. Flick,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 C. B. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 John Carlin,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 G. W. Taggart,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Lee Haymond,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 R. E. Fleming,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 S. S. Hazen,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 George Walker,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 I. H. Duval,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Charles E. Anderson,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Anthony Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 F. H. Crago,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 R. E. Lee,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 R. H. Freer,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Thomas A. Maulsby,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 Richard Robertson,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Charles R. LeValley,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Arnold Brandley,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 M. B. Bartlett,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 C. C. Mathews,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Alex C. Moore,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 O. H. Michaelson,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 J. W. Shroyer,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Thomas M. Mills,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 I. M. Adams,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Thomas H. Marks,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 D. Mayer,<sup>2</sup> 1909.

J. L. Caldwell,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Thomas V. Salisbury,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 E. A. Billingslea,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 John M. Millan,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 T. G. Hammond,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 C. T. Reed,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 James T. Piggott,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 S. R. Hanen,<sup>2</sup> 1917.  
 W. T. Cox,<sup>2</sup> 1918 (died in office).  
 L. B. Moore,<sup>2</sup> 1918-19.  
 W. S. Grafton,<sup>2</sup> 1920.  
 H. S. White,<sup>2</sup> 1921.  
 W. S. Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1922.  
 T. S. Bonar,<sup>2</sup> 1923.  
 W. W. Rogers,<sup>2</sup> 1924.  
 Smith Risinger,<sup>2</sup> 1925.  
 William Keely,<sup>2</sup> 1926.  
 P. Dunsmoor,<sup>2</sup> 1927.  
 W. W. Riley,<sup>2</sup> 1928.  
 J. T. McCombs,<sup>2</sup> 1929.  
 Thomas Carder,<sup>2</sup> 1930.  
 S. W. Coffee,<sup>2</sup> 1931-32.  
 William H. Morris,<sup>2</sup> 1933 (died in office).  
 Joseph M. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1933-34.  
 William M. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1935-36.  
 William Satow,<sup>2</sup> 1937.  
 A. T. McMurray,<sup>1 4</sup> Washington, 1938-40.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.



## WISCONSIN (2)

[Organized June 7, 1866. Membership, December 31, 1940, 24. Posts, 16]

*Department commander*----- JAMES F. JONES,<sup>1</sup> Oconomowoc.  
*Senior vice department commander*----- C. L. HOOKER, Superior.  
*Junior vice department commander*----- JOHN W. MILLER,<sup>1</sup> Osseo.  
*Assistant adjutant general*----- W. P. BRYANT,<sup>1</sup> Milwaukee.

DELEGATE	ALTERNATE
Henry Alexander, Baraboo.	Ancel Goolsby, <sup>1</sup> Chetek.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

James K. Proudfit, <sup>2</sup> 1866.	F. A. Copeland, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
H. A. Starr, <sup>2</sup> 1867.	John W. Ganes, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
J. M. Rusk, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	John C. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
T. S. Allen, <sup>2</sup> 1869-70.	E. D. Coe, <sup>2</sup> 1908 (died in office).
Edward Ferguson, <sup>2</sup> 1871-72.	R. B. Lang, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
A. J. McCoy, <sup>2</sup> 1873.	William H. Grinnell, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
G. A. Hanaford, <sup>2</sup> 1874-75.	Frank A. Walsh, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
John Hancock, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	Hiram J. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
H. G. Rogers, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	George W. Spratt, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
F. S. Hammond, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	Charles H. Henry, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Griff J. Thomas, 1879-81 (see Nebraska).	Samuel A. Cook, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
H. M. Enos, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	W. J. McKay, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Phil Cheek, <sup>2</sup> 1883-84.	O. L. Rosenkrans, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
James Davidson, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	W. A. Wyse, <sup>2</sup> 1917.
Lucius Fairchild, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	George D. Breed, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
H. P. Fisher, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Robert R. Campbell, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
Michael Griffin, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Walter O. Pietzsch, <sup>2</sup> 1920.
A. G. Weissert, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	M. L. Snyder, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
L. Ferguson, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	James F. Carle, <sup>2</sup> 1922.
Benjamin F. Bryant, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Alfred S. Eaton, <sup>2</sup> 1923.
W. H. Upham, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	George W. Morton, <sup>2</sup> 1924.
C. B. Welton, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Henry Hase, <sup>2</sup> 1925.
E. A. Shores, <sup>2</sup> 1893 (see Washington and Alaska).	Henry Stannard, <sup>2</sup> 1926.
J. A. Watrous, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Henry C. Eaton, <sup>2</sup> 1927.
W. D. Hoard, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	G. H. Pounder, <sup>2</sup> 1928.
D. Lloyd Jones, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Lloyd D. Sampson, <sup>2</sup> 1929.
E. B. Gray, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	John H. Hellweg, <sup>2</sup> 1930.
C. H. Russell, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	W. H. Chesbrough, <sup>2</sup> 1931.
Henry Harnden, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	George L. Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1932.
S. H. Talmadge, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Henry Held, <sup>2</sup> 1933.
David J. James, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Thaddeus Sheerin, <sup>2</sup> 1934.
A. H. DeGroff, <sup>2</sup> 1901 (see California and Nevada).	Charles M. Hambright, <sup>2</sup> 1935.
J. H. Agen, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	Charles F. Moulton, <sup>2</sup> 1936.
J. P. Rundle, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	W. P. Bryant, <sup>1 3</sup> Milwaukee, 1937.
Pliny Norcross, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	John Hart, <sup>2</sup> 1938.
	A. R. Kibbe, <sup>1 4</sup> New Richmond, 1939.
	B. Regli, <sup>1</sup> Eau Claire, 1940.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Assistant adjutant general.<sup>4</sup> National council of administration.



## MEMBERS AT LARGE ENTITLED TO VOTE IN NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

John N. Young, Baltimore, Md., past senior vice department commander, 1938, department of Maryland.

William F. Dorsey, Washington, D. C., past department commander, 1932, department of the Potomac.

John M. Kline, Washington, D. C., past department commander, 1934-41, department of the Potomac.

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Ira Stormes, Utah.  
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Joseph L. Chapman, Pennsylvania.  
Jno. Hollingsworth, Missouri.

*Departments in order of seniority, according to dates of permanent organization, as heretofore announced*

No.	Department	Organized
1	Illinois.....	Apr. 6, 1866
2	Wisconsin.....	June 7, 1866
3	Pennsylvania.....	Jan. 16, 1867
4	Ohio.....	Jan. 30, 1867
5	New York.....	Apr. 3, 1867
6	Connecticut.....	Apr. 11, 1867
7	Massachusetts.....	May 7, 1867
8	New Jersey.....	Dec. 10, 1867
9	Maine.....	Jan. 10, 1868
10	California and Nevada.....	Feb. 21, 1868
11	Rhode Island.....	Mar. 24, 1868
12	New Hampshire.....	June 30, 1868
13	Vermont.....	Oct. 23, 1868
14	Potomac, <sup>1</sup> provisional department, organized Aug. 6, 1867.....	Feb. 13, 1869
15	Virginia and North Carolina <sup>1</sup> .....	July 27, 1871
	As Department of Virginia; name changed to Virginia and North Carolina.....	May 20, 1892
16	Maryland, organized Jan. 8, 1868; reorganized.....	June 9, 1876
17	Nebraska.....	June 11, 1877
18	Michigan, organized May 6, 1868; reorganized.....	Jan. 22, 1879
19	Iowa, organized Sept. 26, 1866; reorganized.....	Jan. 23, 1879
20	Indiana, organized Aug. 20, 1866; reorganized.....	Oct. 3, 1879
21	Colorado and Wyoming.....	Dec. 11, 1879
	As Department of the Mountains; name changed to Colorado July 31, 1882; named changed to Colorado and Wyoming.....	Aug. 28, 1889
22	Kansas, organized Dec. 7, 1867; reorganized.....	Mar. 16, 1880
23	Delaware.....	Jan. 14, 1881
24	Minnesota, organized Aug. 4, 1867; reorganized.....	Aug. 17, 1881
25	Missouri, organized May 16, 1867; reorganized.....	Apr. 22, 1882
26	Oregon.....	Sept. 28, 1882
27	Kentucky.....	Jan. 16, 1883
28	West Virginia, organized Apr. 9, 1868; reorganized.....	Feb. 20, 1883
29	South Dakota.....	Feb. 27, 1883
	As Department of Dakota; named changed to South Dakota.....	Apr. 11, 1890
30	Washington and Alaska.....	June 20, 1883
31	Arkansas.....	July 11, 1883
32	New Mexico <sup>1</sup> .....	July 14, 1883
33	Utah.....	Oct. 9, 1883
34	Tennessee <sup>1</sup> .....	Feb. 26, 1884
35	Louisiana and Mississippi <sup>1</sup> .....	May 15, 1884
	As Department of the Gulf; name changed to Louisiana and Mississippi.....	June 13, 1888
36	Florida.....	June 19, 1884
37	Montana <sup>1</sup> .....	Mar. 10, 1885
38	Texas.....	Mar. 25, 1885
39	Idaho.....	Jan. 11, 1888
40	Arizona <sup>1</sup> .....	Jan. 17, 1888
41	Georgia and South Carolina <sup>1</sup> .....	Jan. 25, 1889
42	Alabama <sup>1</sup> .....	Mar. 12, 1889
43	North Dakota.....	Apr. 23, 1890
44	Oklahoma.....	Apr. 7, 1890
	As Department of Oklahoma and Indian Territory; name changed to Oklahoma.....	July 3, 1891
45	Indian Territory.....	July 3, 1891
	Consolidated with and merged into the Department of Oklahoma, May 19-22, 1908.	

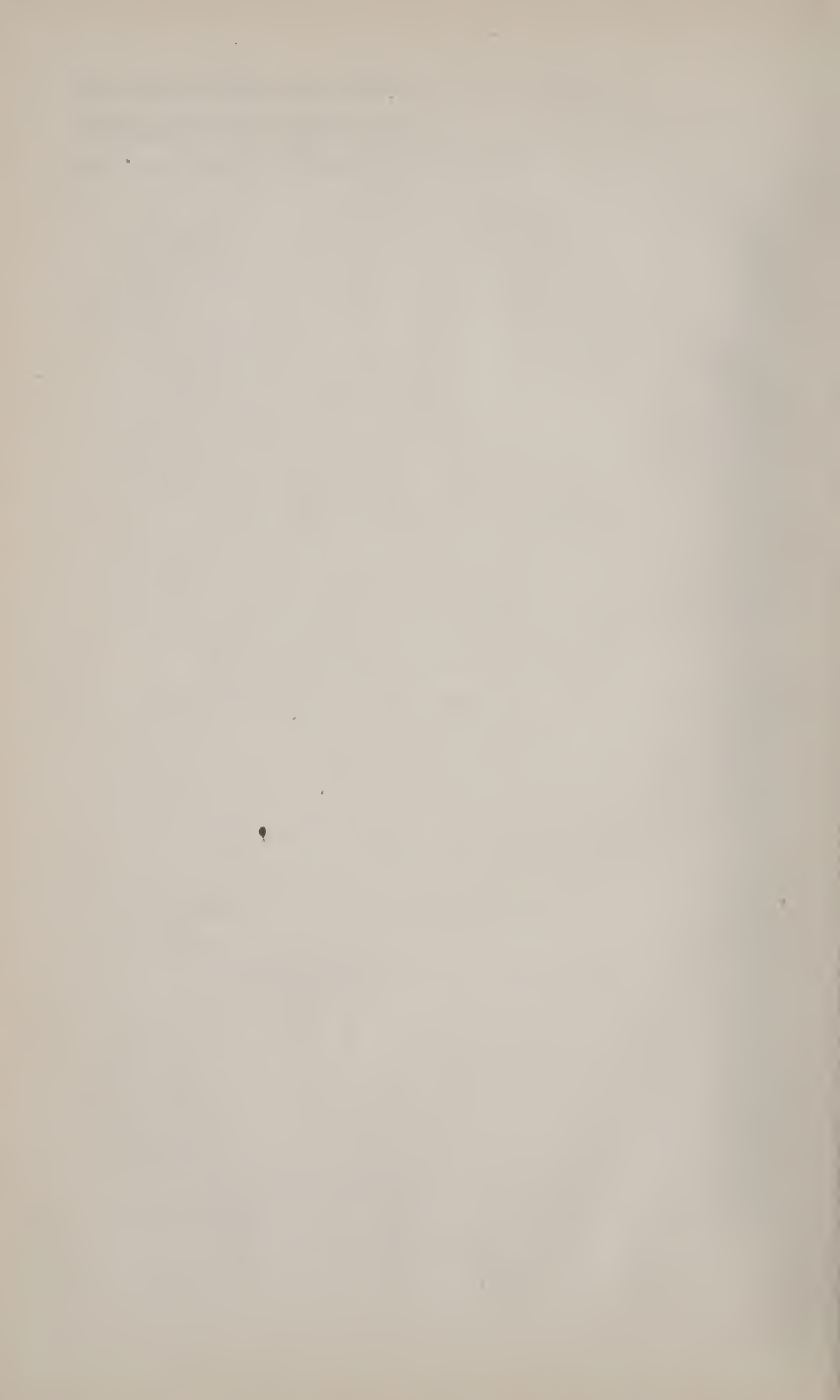
<sup>1</sup> Charter surrendered.



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OF THE ENCAMPMENT

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## THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE SEVENTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, AT COLUMBUS, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 14 TO 18, 1941

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The seventy-fifth national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic convened in parlor A of the Deshler-Wallick Hotel, Columbus, Ohio, at 2 p. m. on Wednesday, September 17, 1941, Commander in Chief William W. Nixon, of Jewell, Kans., presiding.

Commander in Chief NIXON. You will please come to order. We will now have the chaplain invoke the divine blessing.

Chaplain in Chief JOSHUA C. PEARCE. Almighty Father! Humbly we bow before Thee, our Creator, Preserver, Guide, and Protector. We thank Thee for our lives, for Thy mercy which has kept us until this hour, for Thy guidance on land and sea by day and by night, for Thy constant care in the hours of danger, and for the preservation of our national integrity and unity.

Be graciously near to our comrades who suffer from disease or wounds, and to the widows and orphans of those who fell in our holy cause. In all distresses comfort them and give them willing hearts and ready hands to supply their needs. Bless our country; grant that the memory of our noble dead who freely gave their lives for the land they loved may dwell in our hearts.

Bless our order; make it an instrument of great good; keep our names on the roll of Thy servants and at last receive us into the Grand Army above where Thou, O God, art the Supreme Commander. Amen.

Secretary KATHARINE R. A. FLOOD (after calling the roll of officers). Commander in chief, all officers but the adjutant general, quartermaster general, and inspector general have reported for duty.

Commander in Chief NIXON. We will now hear the report from the committee on credentials.

Secretary FLOOD (reading):

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

The committee on credentials met and received credentials from all departments but Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Maryland, Rhode Island, and South Dakota, and find the voting strength of the encampment to be 225 and 93 comrades are in attendance.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

C. H. PERRY,  
T. B. WILLIAMS,  
*Committee on Credentials.*

Commander in Chief NIXON. Comrades, what will we do with this report on credentials?

Past Commander in Chief ROBERT M. ROWND. I move it be accepted and placed on file. [Motion seconded.]



Commander in Chief NIXON. All in favor of that motion signify it by saying "Aye." Contrary. The ayes have it.

Mr. Elliott, will you please read my report?

(The senior vice commander in chief took the chair and the shorthand reporter then read to the encampment the address of the commander in chief, as follows:)

#### ADDRESS OF COMMANDER IN CHIEF

One year ago at the seventy-fourth national encampment in Springfield, Ill., the home of our beloved Abraham Lincoln, I was elected commander in chief, the highest honor that can be given to a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. With the assurance of the support of my comrades, and the promise of our efficient secretary that she would stand by me, I was installed as the leader of our organization.

I arrived home on Saturday, September 14, attended church on Sunday morning, and received the congratulations of the home folks. Wednesday I became ill and my physician found pneumonia had developed and ordered me taken to the Community Hospital in Beloit, Kans. It was my first trip to a hospital and I didn't like the experience very well, thought I would like my own bed better; so as soon as I had improved sufficiently I was taken home, my nurse accompanying me. However, a few days later pneumonia developed in the other lung, and I was under the nurse's supervision for another month.

Miss Flood arrived in Topeka early in October to establish headquarters. Hon. Payne Ratner, Governor of Kansas, wrote me, inviting me to establish headquarters in the State capitol, and I gladly accepted. We were assigned a senate committee room on the third floor and the office was soon in running order. As I had not been able to go to the office on account of my illness, Miss Flood came to my home in Jewell as soon as I was recovered, and I made plans for the coming year and considered the accumulated correspondence. December 12 I made my first visit to headquarters and found everything in working order. January 18 I again went to Topeka to confer with Miss Flood on matters needing attention, especially the meeting of the executive committee and my trip east.

Because of the prevalence of influenza in the East, my doctor decided that it would not be wise for me to make the trip to Washington, D. C., and New York, as had been the custom for many years. However, 3 weeks later I went to Pittsburgh, leaving home February 7 with my daughter, Miss Irma L. Nixon, and met Miss Flood at the William Penn Hotel on Saturday evening. On Sunday I entertained members of my family who live in the vicinity of Pittsburgh, that being my birthplace. Monday, February 10, Mrs. Mattie R. Tucker, national president joined us, and in the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Al Yahres drove us to Washington, Pa., where Past Commander in Chief Anderson and Emma McNulty Tent of Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War gave a reception and dinner in my honor. Birthday cakes were presented to Miss Flood, whose birthday it was, and to me for my coming birthday on February 22. Moving pictures of the national encampment at Springfield, taken by Dr. Walter Anderson, son of Past Commander in Chief Anderson, were shown and much enjoyed.

Tuesday, February 12, I was a guest of Col. Robert G. Woodside at a luncheon of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Also guests at this luncheon were my grandnephew, Capt. Edward Nixon, and his colonel, who were then in camp in Pittsburgh. That afternoon I visited Past Commander in Chief C. H. William Ruhe at Soldiers' and Sailors' Memorial Hall.

Wednesday morning we were saddened by news of the death of Quartermaster General A. C. Estabrook, a splendid comrade. At noon we were guests at the fiftieth anniversary luncheon of the ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic Home in Swissvale, Pa., where Past National President Frances M. Kuhns is superintendent. At this luncheon Past Commanders in Chief Ruhe and Anderson were also present.

In the evening we attended the Lincoln Day banquet of the Grand Army organizations of Allegheny County, and as I had enlisted in Pittsburgh in 1864, they had invited me to be the guest of honor that evening. I was presented with gifts and also a photostatic copy of a pay order give to one of my ancestors who had been an officer in the Revolutionary War, and with it an honorary membership in the Pittsburgh, Pa., Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution. At midnight I left for Chicago, accompanied by my daughter, Miss Flood, and Mrs. Tucker.

Thursday morning, on arrival at the Sherman Hotel in Chicago, we found Adjutant General Martin and Comrade George A. Gay, of the executive committee, who was accompanied by his wife. Later in the day we were joined by Mrs. Grace H. Hahn, national president; Mrs. Emma W. Campbell, national secretary of the Woman's Relief Corps; Mrs. Nellie K. Stammel, national president, Ladies of the G. A. R.; Rev. J. Kirkwood Craig, commander in chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War; and Mrs. Clara M. Gallagher, national president, Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Senior Vice Commander in Chief Thomas Ambrose was to have attended the meeting also, but was in St. Luke's Hospital where he had been very ill and was then convalescing.

Friday, our committee met and discussed the various invitations received. At the encampment in September we had invitations from St. Louis, Mo., Grand Rapids, Mich., and Santa Barbara, Calif. At the meeting in Chicago an invitation was received from Columbus, Ohio. It developed that no money was available in St. Louis from any source for encampment expenses. The Grand Rapids committee had been depending on a State appropriation, but when the legislature met it was evident that no money could be counted on from there, and the money could not be raised from private sources. Mrs. Louise Haider again extended the invitation from Santa Barbara. After the committee had discussed the invitations, the presiding officers of the Auxiliary and allied organizations were called in and asked where they thought the encampment should meet. One expressed a preference for Santa Barbara, but all the others said, while they, personally, would like to go to California, they felt it would be better for the members of their respective organizations if the encampment could meet in a more central part of the country.

A committee went to the hospital to see Comrade Ambrose and gave him a ballot which had been prepared for him to express his choice.



Columbus, Ohio, was the unanimous choice of the executive committee, and, after consultation with the national executives, it was decided that we would immediately go to Columbus and complete arrangements for the encampment.

Saturday evening, February 15, the banquet given annually by the Department of Illinois in honor of the commander in chief was held in the Sherman Hotel and presided over in a very fine manner by Department Commander Hiram A. Shumate. The silk flag on a dirigold staff, given me that evening, occupies a prominent place in my home.

Monday morning, February 17, our entire party started for Columbus, Ohio, and were met at the train by a reception committee and taken to the Deshler-Wallick Hotel. Tuesday, arrangements were made for the encampment and the various conventions, and, Tuesday night, we left for our respective homes, my daughter and I arriving Thursday morning.

Saturday, February 22, my ninety-fifth birthday, my home town of Jewell celebrated not only my birthday but my election as commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. A town committee had arranged for a meeting at our rural high school, and comrades from my own and neighboring counties were on hand to enjoy the party with me, as were Miss Flood, Mrs. Grace Wanner, department secretary of Kansas, Grand Army of the Republic, and also the department president of the Woman's Relief Corps, and Mrs. Cora Wade, department president of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Max Wyman, department commander of the American Legion, was present and made a fine address. I was presented with a cane by the townspeople and received a gold Grand Army watch charm from the National Ladies of the G. A. R., a gold signet ring from the National Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, a box of linen handkerchiefs from National Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, pen and pencil set from the Department of Kansas Grand Army, Woman's Relief Corps and Daughters of Union Veterans, and a guest book from the Department of Kansas, Ladies of the G. A. R. This book was signed by more than 200 people, many of whom called at my home after the program at the school. Many gifts and flowers were received also from friends, as well as hundreds of telegrams and cards, and many birthday cakes. It was a happy day for me and my family, six of my eight children being present to help me celebrate.

The veteran organizations of Kansas had planned to celebrate my election in October, but on account of my illness had to postpone it until later. April 5 I was a guest at a reception and banquet in my honor in Hotel Kansan, Topeka, as the only member of the Kansas Department to be elected commander in chief. The United Spanish War Veterans and Auxiliary, the American Legion and Auxiliary, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary joined the Grand Army organizations in this tribute, for which I am grateful. After the banquet at the Hotel Kansan, I was escorted by the Veterans and Drum Corps to Memorial Hall where a program of greetings and music was given. My daughter, Mildred, and her husband, Fred Beeler, accompanied my daughter, Irma, and me to Topeka for this reception.

Sunday, May 4, the Department Encampment of Kansas opened at Abilene. There were six of us comrades present. There was a splen-



did attendance of members of all the other organizations. Past National President Ida Heacock Baker represented the national president of the Woman's Relief Corps, and Nellie Stammel, national president of the Ladies of the G. A. R., and Mattie R. Tucker, national president of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, were on hand to share honors with myself. Besides my daughter, Irma, I was happy to have my daughters, Mrs. Fred Beeler and Mrs. Everett Palmer, present at the Kansas encampment.

From Abilene I went to Enid, Okla., where the Department encampment was in session. There were four comrades present and I found them very enthusiastic. From Enid I went to Stillwater, Okla., and called on a comrade unable to attend the encampment, and then visited my son and family who live near there.

Mrs. Grace Houlette Hahn, national president of the Woman's Relief Corps, could not attend the Kansas Department encampment but sent word that she would arrive in Topeka on May 17, so the Relief Corps arranged for a reception and dinner for her. Later, when it was found that Mrs. Mattie Tucker was to be in Topeka at the same time, it was arranged to have a joint reception and dinner for the two national presidents. We all enjoyed having them with us.

On Tuesday, May 20, I went to Beatrice, Nebr., for the department encampment in session there. There were four comrades present, and I was pleased to find National Presidents Grace H. Hahn and Mattie R. Tucker there.

Memorial Day I took part in the memorial exercises in my home town of Jewell in the morning, and in the afternoon I went to Cawker City, Kans., where I had a part in the program honoring all veterans, and I had the pleasure of again meeting Max Wyman, department commander of the American Legion.

June 16, Irma and I left for the Colorado Department encampment in Boulder. There I was joined by my daughter, Mrs. Emma Alcorn, who is a member of the Colorado Springs Tent of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War. There were six comrades present, among them Chaplain in Chief Joshua C. Pearce, of Denver, and Mrs. Edwina P. Trigg, past national president of the Ladies of the G. A. R., was also there.

#### NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

Early in January Mr. L. D. Robinson, superintendent of the capitol buildings and grounds, notified Miss Flood that we would have to move out of the capitol during the session of the legislature. We were temporarily established in the Memorial Building. Late in April Mr. Robinson notified Miss Flood that the president of the senate and the speaker of the house had told him to notify me that the senate would be glad to have us move back to room 315 as soon as the legislature had adjourned. Early in May we were notified to move back to the capitol. But when Miss Flood had packed, the senator, whose committee had occupied room 315, decided he wanted to keep the room to use whenever he came into the city, so we could not move back. In the meantime, I had been considering the matter of a permanent location for national headquarters which had been discussed the past few years.\* I thought this would be a good time to

find out if it would be wise to have the headquarters and the secretary so far removed from the commander in chief. As the Grand Army of the Republic is incorporated by act of Congress, it cannot have a permanent headquarters anywhere but in the District of Columbia, so in September, 1935, the national encampment voted to establish its permanent national headquarters in the National Headquarters Building of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War at 1326 Eighteenth Street NW., Washington, D. C., in a room offered by the Daughters for that purpose. I decided to move the office to Washington, D. C., for a trial, and on May 20 Miss Flood left for Washington, D. C., stopping in Pittsburgh, Pa., to attend the funeral of Past Commander in Chief C. H. William Ruhe.

#### LEGISLATION

During the last administration a bill giving pensions to widows who had been married since June 27, 1905, and had lived with the veteran husbands for 10 years, passed the House and twice was prevented from being acted on in the Senate. Congressman Lesinski again introduced the same bill this year as House Resolution 1091 and it passed the House May 29. It is now before the Senate Committee on Pensions. Miss Flood has made many trips to the Capitol trying to secure its approval by the committee. She has now been assured that action will be taken as soon as all tax and defense bills have been passed by the Senate, as many members of the Pensions Committee are members of the committees handling the defense bills.

#### MEMBERSHIP

The report of the adjutant general shows a loss in membership, to be expected, of course, but despite our increased years the percentage of loss remains the same as for some years. Three hundred and forty-eight members were mustered out last year, among them Quartermaster General A. C. Estabrook; National Patriotic Instructor Asa O. Gere; two past commanders in chief, Dr. Overton H. Mennet and C. H. William Ruhe. Five members of the national council of administration, 8 assistant adjutants general, and 3 department commanders died in office, and 20 past department commanders answered taps. Two departments have been closed by death of all members and yet, in this year of our diamond jubilee, we still have 36 departments functioning properly, making reports and paying per capita tax.

#### FINANCES

Care has been taken to conserve our resources in every way; all printing has been given to the lowest bidder, and expenses have been kept as low as possible. Comrade A. C. Estabrook, past senior vice commander in chief, and many times department commander and assistant adjutant general of Michigan, was appointed quartermaster general, and all supplies were shipped from Chicago to department headquarters of Michigan in Lansing where he had arranged with the Michigan department secretary, Miss Leah M. Simpson, to act as bookkeeper and ship supplies. On the death of Comrade Estabrook it was deemed best to continue this arrangement, and Comrade J. A.



Hamilton, of Lansing, was appointed to fill the vacancy. To him and to Miss Simpson I express my gratitude for their willingness to carry on and for duties well done.

The permanent fund last year showed a balance of \$2,082.46 in cash and \$4,000 par value in securities. It was deemed best to order a transfer of \$1,000 from this fund that we might have money available for expenses of the national encampment, and the report of the Union Trust Co. shows a balance of \$5,240.96, of which \$1,240.96 is in cash in the permanent fund.

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

I wish to thank Hon. Payne Ratner, Governor of Kansas, for offering me an office in the State Capitol, and also Mr. L. D. Robinson, custodian of capitol buildings and grounds, for his kindness and assistance in many ways. I wish to express my appreciation for the many courtesies received on my visits to Topeka from Mr. R. E. Moran, manager of the Hotel Kansan, and his assistants. I am especially indebted to Mr. Gerald P. O'Neil, manager of the William Penn Hotel in Pittsburgh, Pa., for the hospitality he extended in complimenting us with rooms during our visit in February, and for the fruit and flowers sent to us.

I would be remiss indeed if I failed to extend my thanks to the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War for our headquarters in their building in Washington, D. C. Everything has been done to make our secretary comfortable, even to transferring the office desk, chair, and filing cabinet from the Grand Army room on the second floor to the Ohio room on the first floor, that our secretary might not have to climb the stairs. Shelves were also installed in both closets in this room, and for all this from our Daughters I extend the appreciation of their fathers.

I acknowledge my indebtedness and express my thanks to all the officers on my staff and to all who have served on committees. I am deeply grateful to all members of the Grand Army of the Republic and of the Auxiliary and Allied Orders for the many courtesies shown me during my illness and on my visits, and for the flowers and gifts presented.

I am deeply grateful for the many courtesies received from, and for the spirit of cooperation shown by, Mrs. Grace Houlette Hahn, national president of the Women's Relief Corps; Mrs. Nellie K. Stammel, national president of the Ladies of the G. A. R.; Mrs. Mattie R. Tucker, national president, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War; Rev. J. Kirkwood Craig, commander in chief, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and Mrs. Clara M. Gallagher, national president, Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. We have been a most harmonious and happy family.

We are again under obligations to Mrs. Zola M. Donohoe, who for the second year has attended to the work of arranging for Memorial Day in the South. The report filed by her, with letters and photographs received from various places there, show how much the remembrance of the Grand Army of the Republic is appreciated. This work, done without recompense of any sort, merits our earnest commendation.



Miss Flood wishes to join me in thanking Mr. L. D. Robinson, superintendent of the capitol building and grounds, for his many courtesies to her and for his earnest endeavor to give the Grand Army of the Republic what he felt it should have. We are also indebted to Mrs. Grace M. Wanner, secretary of the Kansas Department, G. A. R., for assistance and helpfulness in every way. It was a joy to work so closely with her.

My sincere thanks are due and freely given my faithful and efficient adjutant general, Russell C. Martin, for his splendid support and advice so kindly given me during the year. I especially commend the efficient work of our national secretary, Katharine R. A. Flood. Her long years of service, earnest endeavor, and wide and personal acquaintance with our members and those of our Allied Orders, her knowledge of the rules and regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, render her an invaluable aid to the commander in chief, and I commend her to my successor.

And now the year is nearly ended. The book, which I opened so proudly last September, is about to close. It is for you, my comrades, to determine whether what has been written on its pages warrants your approval. I shall always be proud that it was my good fortune to be your leader when we completed our seventy-fifth year of existence. It has been an honorable record, and may our beloved organization go down the years, until it shall cease to exist, with the same honorable history. As my official duties end, I want to express my deep appreciation of the honor bestowed on me by election as commander in chief. May God's richest blessings rest upon you all.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief THOMAS AMBROSE. Comrades, you have heard the reading of the report of our commander in chief for the past year. I think it is the custom instead of acting upon the report at once to leave it to a committee; and with your approval I will name as a committee the following comrades: Robert M. Rownd, New York; Thomas J. Noll, Iowa; and John W. Grimes, California and Nevada. If there be no objection the report will be referred to the committee for report at the next meeting of the encampment.

I will entertain a motion that all other reports that are due to be presented shall be referred to a committee on officers' reports. The names of the committee, or the members of the committee, will be announced later. Those in favor of the motion will signify it by saying "Aye." Contrary minded, "No." It is carried and so ordered.

The OFFICER OF THE DAY (Edward C. Skinner, of Illinois). The president of the National Woman's Relief Corps with past national presidents.

Commander in Chief NIXON (resuming the chair). You will admit them.

(The delegation was admitted and presented.)

Mrs. GRACE HOULETTE HAHN, president, the National Woman's Relief Corps. My dear commander, I bring greetings to you, your staff, the past commanders in chief, and our comrades of the seventy-fifth annual encampment from the National Woman's Relief Corps. We came to renew with you our pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to you, our veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Our visit will be brief and informal, for we know you have momentous business to discuss, and we have many duties awaiting us in our

own convention. It is pleasant for us to pause with you a while and review the work of the past year. We are proud of our record, for it is one of achievement. During recent years we have added new aims and objectives to our original plans of work, but still we cling with lovable tenacity to the original aims and objects as outlined in our constitution and reported to the seventeenth encampment in Denver. If we had only the first sentence in our stated aims, we could still count ourselves the greatest organization of women who originated the thought of such an aim, "To aid and assist the Grand Army of the Republic and to perpetuate the memory of its historic dead."

I am happy to report to you that we have completed the purchase of a suitable building in Springfield, Ill., which is the permanent headquarters of the National Woman's Relief Corps. A portion of that building will be set aside for the use of the Grand Army of the Republic to establish their national headquarters. The building will be dedicated in honor of the Grand Army of the Republic, just the same as all we have done in the past 58 years has been done for the honor of our veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic, whose Auxiliary we are happy to be. Emma W. Campbell will speak to you further on this sacred subject.

I have spoken with pride of our greatest accomplishment of the past year, but I also have a severely abridged report of our work which we are glad to submit to you, and through you to this Seventy-fifth national encampment, from the National Woman's Relief Corps, June 30, 1940, to June 30, 1941.

These figures are taken from the records of the organization which are on file in the offices of the secretary and treasurer:

Number of departments-----	36
Number of provisional departments-----	2
Number of corps in the departments-----	1, 687
Number of detached corps-----	15
Number of corps in the order June 30, 1941-----	1, 687
Number of members in departments-----	79, 473
Number of members in detached corps-----	372
Number of members in the order June 30, 1941-----	79, 845

Amount in cash expended for relief-----	\$9, 678. 06
Estimated relief other than money-----	251, 274. 65
Total expended for relief-----	260, 952. 71

Total number of persons assisted-----	57, 103
Total expended for patriotic work-----	\$19, 377. 01
Total number of flags contributed to schools, Sunday Schools, cemeteries, and in naturalization courts-----	76, 817

In addition to the above we have contributed during the year ending June 30, 1941:

For memorial fund-----	\$949. 51
For local Grand Army posts-----	1, 266. 77
For World War veterans-----	1, 561. 98
For Spanish-American veterans-----	278. 68
For soldiers', widows' and orphans' homes-----	4, 292. 25
For child welfare-----	3, 608. 44
Total assets of the organization June 30, 1941-----	54, 839. 06
Liabilities-----	None

Lovingly submitted in fraternity, charity and loyalty,

GRACE HOULETTE HAHN,  
President, The National Woman's Relief Corps.



Next, I would like to introduce a group of veterans who have come with me. I say veterans, for they are indeed veterans of the Woman's Relief Corps in the army of love, truth, and devotion to the motto you gave us, fraternity, charity, and loyalty:

Past National President Grace B. Willard, Past National President Catherine McBride Hoster, Past National President Emma W. Campbell, Past National President Margaret J. Lewis Bennett, Past National President Kate G. Raynor, Past National President Annie Poole Atwood, Past National President Beatrice J. Tyson, Past National President Lizetta Coady, Past National President Ida Heacock Baker, and Past National President Elfie F. Carroll.

Grace B. Willard will give you the greetings for the past national presidents, after which Emma W. Campbell will speak and accentuate to you the invitation to you in regard to headquarters.

Mrs. WILLARD. Commander in Chief, I want to greet you and as I take your hand I am expressing a greeting to every comrade in this room. I am shaking hands with everyone of our Grand Army comrades that are in the room, and doing it for the 10 past national presidents who have accompanied our beloved president, Grace Hahn. Commander, here you are between the two Graces again.

Comrades assembled in your convention, it is an honor that we may come into this room and look into your faces. I am sure it just makes our hearts beat a little faster that we live in that army of service that our president has just spoken of. We have done the very best we could all these years.

Each one of these presidents here belongs to a certain State, and there are her own comrades here in this room. I look over to California, Emma looks to Minnesota, Catherine looks to Indiana, Ida looks to Kansas, Beatrice looks to New York, Lizetta looks to Michigan, Elfie Carroll to North Dakota, Kate Raynor to Ohio, Margaret Bennett to Pennsylvania, and Annie Poole Atwood to Massachusetts.

We are so happy to be with you. We want to help everyone always to remember that it was you, our beloved comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, you that won the war, that it was you that "kept the stars in the field of blue. To you the Nation's life is due, and the Nation must not forget." And it is the work of the Woman's Relief Corps to see that the Nation and the citizens of the Nation do not forget, that the boys who are growing up now, that the boys in the camps right now know the work and the worth of the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, and that they may mutually cherish their deeds. "Go thou and do likewise" we should say to every young American citizen. "Look into the face of a comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic and behold a noble man." Comrades, we love you. We are glad to be here with you, and I am proud and happy to represent these 10 past national presidents. Thank you, Commander.

Mrs. HAHN. Mrs. Campbell, chairman of the national headquarters committee.

Mrs. CAMPBELL. Commander in Chief and the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, and, may I say, the comrades of my father, perhaps I as his daughter feel exceptionally proud of him because when he fought in the Civil War he was a citizen of a foreign country. He became a citizen when Abraham Lincoln said that all men who had served in the Civil War would be given their naturali-



zation papers without the usual waiting period. May I say to you that he was one of the best citizens I believe that the United States ever adopted. On election day I think he never failed to be at the voting place at the time of the opening, he was that loyal and that interested. Am I proud of my father? I'll say that I certainly am.

Now, then, commander in chief, I want to say a word to you about national headquarters. I have been a member of this Woman's Relief Corps for 40 years. My mother initiated me into this order. My father and my mother watched my progress in this organization. In recent years we have heard much about when our Grand Army is no more, why the Woman's Relief Corps will be no more. I am afraid that many of the people who have made that remark, were they in this room at the present time, would take every word of it back. I am simply amazed at the size of this encampment. It is splendid, and, comrades, it shows that you are every one of you 100 percent—I am going to say 150-percent Americans. [Applause.]

Now, then, as I was saying about the headquarters. Maybe it was a dream. I didn't know whether it would ever materialize when I brought the resolution to our convention for action, with the idea that the Woman's Relief Corps, even in this late day, after a period of 53 years, should establish a national headquarters. I had many thoughts in my mind at that time in regard to it, and most particularly was the one that with the permanent headquarters established I felt that we were also establishing the permanency of our Woman's Relief Corps.

The next thought I had was that we not only establish a headquarters for ourselves but we invite our beloved Grand Army of the Republic to occupy this home with us. [Applause.] Comrades, I would say to you in the name of my father, nothing on earth would give me greater pleasure than to welcome you and your organization into the national headquarters of the Woman's Relief Corps. [Applause.] It is a memorial to the Grand Army of the Republic, but it is going to be a living, active memorial, not a block of stone. We intend to carry out your precepts and the teachings of these many years and from which we have learned our lessons. God bless you, everyone, and may I live to see you in our headquarters. Thank you very much. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief NIXON. I want to say we are always happy to have the members of the committee from the Woman's Relief Corps. They are our auxiliary, and we are always happy to have them come before us. I ask Past National Commander Rownd to reply to the committee.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I esteem it a very high honor for this opportunity to respond to the greetings of this organization of wonderful women and especially when they are presented by such a fine committee. I am happy indeed that they are with us today. I am also happy to say, after listening to this splendid report—one of the best that I have ever heard read—it indicates very clearly they know how to do business. And it is the only organization that I have heard of for many months, or even years, which is able to submit a report in which they have a balance and no debts. I think they deserve very high congratulations for that splendid report. I am in sympathy with these ladies and this organization in their desire to have a home at Springfield, Ill. I think you have stated very clearly the ad-



vantages that might be derived therefrom; and it would be a very pleasing thing if this organization would adopt a resolution endorsing heartily what they have recommended, which institution is very close to their hearts and the hearts of these beloved friends, our comrades.

Mrs. HAHN. I hold in my hand the invitation, which will come to you in the regular way for you to act upon. Now, commander, we must go. Good-bye, and God bless you, and all of this wonderful crowd.

(The committee then retired, and the officer of the day then presented Mrs. Elsie H. Newell, national president of the Auxiliary to the United Spanish War Veterans; who was accompanied by a committee of four from that organization.)

Mrs. NEWELL. Mr. Commander in Chief and my comrades of the G. A. R., I consider this an honor and a privilege to come to you this afternoon with our committee and extend to you as national president of the Auxiliary, United Spanish War Veterans, best wishes for a most successful and happy convention.

I feel this is a privilege because it is your diamond jubilee. I call you comrades because you are comrades, as well as our men of the Spanish-American War, who saw patriotic service for their country. The Spanish-American War was the first war in which boys marched from all sections of the country under one American flag.

You comrades of the G. A. R. have rendered a noble service to your country; you kept high the torch of democracy and the ideals of our country—for which every true American can be proud.

It was just 75 years ago in Illinois that your first charter was granted to carry on the fine principles of our country. Today our country is in chaos, but we can look back to you, the Boys in Blue, for the principles that you laid down for our country to make the America that everyone is glad to live in and proud to live in. We love you boys for giving us this heritage. God bless you Boys in Blue. May you be spared to have your encampments for many years to come.

Now before making my presentation I would like to introduce my committee. First, we have with us Irma Hill Vogel, past national president of the Department of Illinois; Lily Floyd, department president of Ohio; Mary Ross McKay, national guard, Department of Ohio; and Mrs. Alma B. Elias, president of Columbus Auxiliary, No. 18, in Ohio. I want our past national president, who comes from Illinois, where your first charter was granted, to say a few words to you before I make my presentation.

Mrs. VOGEL. Comrade Commander in Chief, my national president, comrades, and sisters, this is indeed a high privilege to come before you today with our national president and extend greetings from those men who in '98 volunteered their services to this country and gave of their service freely, as you did, and forever, as we know, brought together those who had been for a short time separated. We know that we erased the Mason and Dixon line, and we want you to know that we did that as an Auxiliary, because we bring to you today our national president, who has just greeted you so sincerely and so lovingly, and we know that it comes from her heart. And incidentally she comes, comrades, from Memphis, Tenn.

I think you agree with me that it is the love of all Americans that is borne for you comrades of the Grand Army.

I am happy to be here and with my national president say, God bless you and spare you to us for many years to come, that you may



be an inspiration to each and every one who lives under the folds of the American flag that you carried so courageously and so bravely in the past. Thank you, comrades.

Mrs. NEWELL. My comrades of the G. A. R., I came especially to this convention to be at this diamond jubilee, to be here and greet you and present you with a little token of our love for you boys of the Blue. I felt that I wanted to give each and every one of you something that you could have yourselves, and I knew of no other better thing than our carnation, the Spanish War flower. Flowers speak of love, and it is the love of my Auxiliary and its women that we are giving to you, the boys of blue, because we feel that each and every one of you are our sweethearts. God bless you, and may we all be together at this time next year. I am going to ask my committee to go among you comrades and pin a red carnation on each one of your coats. [Committee does so.]

Commander in Chief NIXON. We are glad to have you with us. I will ask the senior vice commander in chief to respond.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief AMBROSE. Mrs. Newell, president of the Auxiliary of the Spanish Veterans, and members of the committee, I only wish that I had words at my command, such as our comrade Robert Rownd always has, to express what I feel for not only the gracious words but for your gracious presence and your present of the carnations, and for those whose buttonholes are sewed up, as I hope mine may be, something to remember when the carnations are gone. Now I am very glad indeed to be able to welcome you and the members of your committee and hope that we shall meet again many, many times. Thank you in the name of all of the comrades present.

Mrs. NEWELL. I just want to say, comrades, you have given me something today I shall always cherish in my book of memories. May I again say to you, God bless you. I hope we will all meet again next year. [The committee then retired.]

Secretary FLOOD. Greetings committee from the Daughters of Veterans. This is Mrs. Bertha Droz, past national president, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, with her greetings committee.

(The committee was composed of Bertha May Droz, past national president, Ohio; Anne Raeyling, past national president, Pennsylvania; Agnes Upell Boyce, past national president, Minnesota; Mabel Plymire, past national president, California; and Marguerite Fair, senior vice president, Tent 40, Ohio.)

Mrs. DROZ. Commander in Chief, comrades of the Grand Army, and my own Sister Flood, I assure you from the time I read my name in general orders that I was to come and bring greetings to the Grand Army of the Republic from the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War that I have waited for this time to come. Every moment I thought I was getting closer to that visit, and I rejoiced in thinking so. And so the day has arrived and here we are. And my committee is composed of three past national presidents—Sister Anne Raeyling, of Pennsylvania; Sister Mabel Plymire, of California; Sister Agnes Boyce, of Minnesota. And I am proud to bring the senior vice president of my own tent, Sister Fair, of Mansfield, Ohio.

I was thinking when we came over here—the rest of them said they didn't want to talk. I as a rule don't talk very much either—only



when I get a chance. I was thinking this, what a wonderful privilege it is to come once again and bring the greetings to the Grand Army, to thank you for all you have done for us, for the pleasures you have brought to us, and, above all, that we are privileged to be the descendants of such royal men.

I want to tell you just a little story—perhaps some of you have heard it. When I was in New Orleans a year ago my husband picked up a newspaper and read this to me. It seems as if a southern lady was very much interested in the Civil War, because her husband happened to be in the fighting line. So she called Mose to her and she said, "Mose, you go out to the lines and find out just how this war is coming along." Mose was a colored servant in the family. A short time later Mose returned and said, "I wants to tell you, Missus, dat de Northern Army is retreating forward just so fast while the Southern Army is advancing backward just dat fast this war is going to be over and your husband will be home for dinner."

Now we are proud of the advantages that have been brought to us as a United States. We didn't have to tell you what we would like when we came to the age where we could reason for ourselves because you thought that all out for us. You know the other night a little boy asked his mother for a pony. He said, "Mother, I want a pony. I want a white one with black spots. I want a little carriage with a basket very much, and I want a harness on that pony so that when the sun shines on the buckles they will gleam like silver." And his mother said to him, "The thing for you to do is to tell God in your prayers. You pray for a pony, and if He sees fit to send you a pony you will get it. You don't need to tell him what kind, of course." The little boy, 4 years old, and his brother, 7, went to bed. That night he proceeded to tell what kind of a pony he wanted, and everything that went with it. He went over the same thing every night, till his mother said "You don't need to tell God every night what kind of a pony you want. He knows your needs, and He is going to send you what you need." So it went on for a few weeks, and finally one evening the mother entertained. When the crowd was gathered a little voice from the door said, "Mother." She said, "Yes, you run on to bed." "Mother I have got to talk to you." It was the voice of the older boy. The mother said, "You run on to bed." "But, mother, I want to tell you this, that Bobby is plaguing the daylights out of God again telling him just what kind of a pony he wants." But we didn't have to do that. You understood and you gave to us this country with all its trimmings, with all its privileges, with everything that went with it to make it the greatest and the grandest country on the face of the globe. And from the bottom of our hearts we can thank you and them, for some day again I will bring you the greetings of your daughters, the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and again renew our pledge of loyalty and sincerity for these brave defenders of our Union. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief, I don't know what is in this. It may be—I think it is a book. Mattie said I should bring it to you, that is, Sister Tucker, national president of the Daughters. She said that I should bring it to you with all of her love as well as the love of the national organization, and although she didn't tell me in so many words that she sent this, I believe that means this. [Kissing the



commander in chief.] So I am bringing you this book. It may be a love story for all I know. I could not tell you. But, anyway, it is with the best of wishes from the national organization, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and I hope, whatever it may be, that you will enjoy it to its fullest extent.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Thank you. I don't know hardly what to say to you. Tell Mattie I haven't got words to express my feelings.

Mrs. DROZ. Maybe you have told her already. I think that will suffice.

Commander in Chief NIXON. But I am very thankful.

Mrs. PLYMIRE. Comrades, I cannot say any more than our chairman has said. But I want to bring you greetings from California. I hope that you have a wonderful encampment.

Mrs. RAEYLING. Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic and my father's comrades, it is a great privilege to be here with you today, and I will just extend the greetings of the Pennsylvania Department and my own personal greetings to my dear father's comrades. I thank you.

Mrs. BOYCE. Commander in Chief, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, and my Minnesota comrades over there in the corner, I just want to bring you greetings of the Minnesota Department of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War. And I want you to know that this is the first opportunity that I have ever had of bringing greetings to the Grand Army in their national encampment. And I also want to say that I am very happy to be able to tell you that my father enlisted in Ohio. He was a Michigan boy, near the border line—no recruiting station. He and his younger brother stepped over the line, left the plows in the field, and enlisted in Ohio. But they asked to be in separate regiments in case anything happened. Later on they met in a hospital—one on crutches, the other in bed with an injured leg. So I am doubly happy. I wish everything our chairman said, those sentiments, to be mine. God bless you every one, and we will look for you at your next national encampment. Thank you for the privilege of being here. I love you all.

Mrs. FAIR. I am more than happy to be here. It is a privilege I never expected.

Commander in Chief NIXON. I want to say to you that I have had so many presents from the Daughters all during this year. They gave me that [showing his seal ring] and a great many other things. I am indebted to the Daughters. I believe, however, I will call on Comrade Dumser, of California, a member of our national executive committee, to respond to this delegation.

Comrade J. S. DUMSER, of California and Nevada. Comrade Commander and our dear Daughters who constitute the greeting committee from the national organization of Daughters of Union Veterans: These daughters are bone of our bone, flesh of our flesh, blood of our blood, nearer than any other human beings can be, and how can we fail for one moment to give them all that our hearts can express through our lips and minds? We love you more than words can tell. Our happiest moments are spent in your presence, whether in the home or elsewhere. You are always with us in thought and in effort, and we like to have you carry forward through the generations to come the

heritage that is yours that none can take from you. That you share with the Daughters of the American Revolution. And may God bless you in your plannings and in your efforts and in your success, and make you more and more one of the important influences for good of this Nation—a Nation which needs so much in these days the loyalty, the right thinking, and the right living of the best of all of us. God bless the Daughters every one. I know my comrades all feel just as I do about this, so we are a unit. There is no division on this question. I thank you, Comrade Commander.

(The committee retired, and the officer of the day escorted to the platform Mrs. Edwina P. Trigg, past national president of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.)

Mrs. TRIGG. Commander in Chief, my own Commander in Chief, and the members of the Grand Army of the Republic: I come to you today, Commander, with a little gift from one of our Commanders in Missouri, and I would like to know if Comrade Hollingsworth of Missouri can be brought up here, or if he would care to come. He is very feeble. [Comrade Jonathan Hollingsworth rises.]

Comrade Hollingsworth, you gave me a commission to present this gavel to our commander in chief. I consider it an honor to come to the members of the Grand Army of the Republic, who are comrades of my father. This gavel, Commander, is made from cedar taken from a tree down in the Ozarks which was over 100 years old. The tree was dead and they cut it down. Comrade Hollingsworth with his own hands had tooled this gavel for you especially. I had hoped that I might come and bring it to you so that you might use it in opening the encampment, but of course I was just a little bit late—like women have the privilege of being. I didn't get here. But I want to give it to you from him, with all the love that is in his heart, and mine also.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Thank you, Comrade Hollingsworth. Is this to be permanent to me?

Mrs. TRIGG. Yes, indeed. It is for you.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Thank you. I will try and use it in the way that you would wish it to be used. Thank you. And thank you, Mrs. Trigg, for coming here and presenting this.

Mrs. TRIGG. Because I am from Kansas, because I am native-born, and because I was raised in Kansas, in the great State of Kansas, I am bringing my tribute to you in that basket of flowers for your convention.

Commander in Chief NIXON. My goodness! We thank you. All of us boys thank you for these flowers.

Mrs. TRIGG. We certainly will have to stand together, we of Kansas, won't we?

Commander in Chief NIXON. Indeed we will.

Mrs. TRIGG. Now, then, I have another mission. Two years ago I had a commander in chief, a member of your organization. Comrade Rownd, you are my commander. You are still my commander in chief, and I recognize you as that always, and I am bringing my tribute to you in this basket of flowers. You can take it to your room, if you wish, but I want you to have it from me with all my love.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. Well, I accept it. There is nothing nearer my heart than you and those flowers, and they represent the grandest sentiment that is produced anywhere in the world.



Flowers have fragrance; they have a beauty that you do not find in anything else, and more than that, you get the fragrance that comes from them. They cannot get their own fragrance, but we receive the fragrance. I am very happy indeed. I appreciate it so much that I cannot find language to express my thoughts, but it will always be one of my happy remembrances to think that you thought enough of me and the organization which I represent to make a contribution that is so close to my heart as this basket of flowers. Thank you.

Mrs. TRIGG. Thank you very much. I am sorry to have taken up your time. I hoped to be here earlier. I hope you have a happy convention.

Commander in Chief NIXON. We are glad you came. That is all we expect to do this afternoon is to receive delegations. [Mrs. Trigg retired.]

The OFFICER OF THE DAY. I have the pleasure of introducing Comrade Ralph W. McMillan, chairman of the Franklin County Council of the American Legion.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Always glad to meet the American Legion boys.

Mr. McMILLAN. Commander in Chief Nixon, officers of the G. A. R., and guests: I extend to you the greetings of the Franklin County Council of the American Legion. I consider this a great privilege. I want to pay a little tribute to a couple of Union Army boys. I don't know whether they ever belonged to the G. A. R. or not. Pardon me for entering into family matters, but my grandfather, Hugh Harvey McMillan, from Xenia, served in the Ninety-fourth Brigade. It was called out, I believe, by Governor Campbell during the days of the Morgan raid. And my grandfather, Alexander Turnbull, served in the Twelfth Ohio Volunteer Infantry and was wounded in the Second Battle of Bull Run. I want to assure you both of those gentlemen gave their all to preserve freedom and all of that which was handed down as a heritage from their grandfathers and their great uncles who served in the Revolutionary War on both sides of the roster.

It has been my privilege to serve twice in this United States Army, and I want to assure you once more that all of that which you fought for and caused you heartaches and hardships and handed down to us we will preserve to the best of our ability. [Applause.]

(Mr. McMillan retired, and the officer of the day presented Miss Ruth DeFrates, past president of Mary Todd Lincoln Tent No. 48, Springfield, Ill.)

Miss DEFRADES. I bring you greetings, Commander. Last year at Springfield you remember, I brought you greetings from the Daughters of Veterans. Mr. J. A. Landon, of Springfield, Ill., is sending to this organization a gavel of very expensive wood. He was not able to attend the convention himself, and he commissioned me to bring this gavel to you this day for your organization. This was taken out of the historic structures—part from the State House in Springfield and part from the railing of the hotel in which Lincoln lived. So we know that his hand touched this wood in going up and down the stairway. Here is your certificate which tells exactly where it is. And here is the seal of the circuit court of Sangamon County, Ill. The old State House of Illinois is now used as the county courthouse.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Is this gavel meant for me personally, or is it to the Grand Army of the Republic?

Miss DEFRADES. It is for the Grand Army as a national organization. If you want one he will send you one personally, but this one is meant for the national organization.

Commander in Chief NIXON. We all understand this gavel is for the National Grand Army of the Republic.

Secretary FLOOD. Sister Ruth, I will see that Mr. Landon gets a letter of appreciation and thanks from this national encampment.

I would like to say that this gavel which the commander is using was made from wood of Libby prison. It was given to Mr. Landon last year at Springfield, and he wanted the commander to open his encampment with it.

Commander in Chief NIXON. That goes back to Mr. Landon.

Secretary FLOOD. This is Lida S. Lucas, Commander in Chief Nixon. She is department secretary of the Department of Ohio, Grand Army of the Republic. She wrote a poem for you, and the program was so long last night she could not read it to you. Now she is going to.

Miss LUCAS. Commander in Chief, and Comrades: I esteem it a very great honor and rare privilege to be permitted at this time to pay a tribute to you Grand Army veterans, of whom my father was one. For 22 years I have enjoyed a very close association with you comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, because I have served the Department of Ohio as their secretary for that length of time. So you may understand how much I honor and revere the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic; and this tribute of mine is an expression of my love, appreciation, and veneration, and I want each and every one of you comrades to have a copy of this tribute, as it was inspired by you and written for you.

You have all no doubt heard many times the song There's Something About a Soldier That is Fine, Fine, Fine. That is a song with a fine sentiment which applies to all soldiers, including the Civil War veterans. But my tribute is to the Grand Army of the Republic alone in commemoration of your diamond jubilee year.

There's something about the G. A. R.,  
That great fraternal band,  
Besides the name, "Grand Army,"  
That is grand, grand, grand!  
Oh grand the name,  
And grand the fame  
That has spread both near and far,  
And grand the aim,  
We will proclaim  
Of the "boys" of the G. A. R.

Yes, there's something about the G. A. R.  
That every one may see,  
Their worth outshines the brightest star  
In heaven's canopy;  
There's the badge that they wear,  
With which none can compare,  
And the little bronze button too,  
And the Grand Army hat—  
We can't forget that,  
Nor their uniform of blue.



Oh, there's something about the G. A. R.  
 That grips one, heart and soul,  
 And fills one with emotion, far—  
 Yes, far beyond control.  
 When they marched in parade,  
 What a showing they made,  
 When their step was firm and strong!  
 Though they march no more  
 As in days of yore,  
 Their spirit keeps marching on!  
 In answer to their country's call,  
 Bidding home and friends goodbye,  
 And risking all that might befall,  
 They went forth to do or die!  
 Many hardships they braved,  
 But our country they saved,  
 And the flag that waves over our land,  
 So, no wonder we'll praise  
 To the end of our days,  
 These heroes so grand, grand, grand!  
 They have left their name on history's page,  
 Their deeds on honor's scroll,  
 And on to each succeeding age  
 A memory to extoll;  
 Oh, brave-hearted and true,  
 We pay tribute to you—  
 Our homage you'll ever command,  
 And we'll never forget  
 That we owe a great debt,  
 To you, who are grand, grand, GRAND!

I have copies here of this tribute. I want each and every one of the comrades here attending the encampment to have a copy. If there are any more needed I have more.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Thank you very much. We are pleased to have you here.

Miss LUCAS. Good-bye and God bless you all.

Secretary FLOOD. The next order of business is the reading of your committees appointed for this convention.

Commander in Chief NIXON. We will listen to the reading.

Secretary FLOOD. The commander, in consultation with some of the officers and comrades today, decided that inasmuch as he visited every national convention yesterday with as many of his comrades as he could get, that they would pass the sending of special committees to these conventions. So you will not have to go over the city and await the convenience of the conventions to be admitted. I wonder if it meets with the approval of the encampment. There were 12 to 14 comrades with the commander in chief at nearly every convention, and he felt that that should be considered the greetings, since they all extended their greetings, and then you would not have to leave the business session here and go out and await the convenience of the other conventions. [Reading:]

*Committee on reports of other officers.*—M. J. Warner, Michigan; Thomas Ride-nour, Ohio; Samuel Snow, Massachusetts.

*Committee on rules and regulations and ritual.*—A. T. Anderson, Pennsylvania; George W. Green, Massachusetts; A. R. Kibbe, Wisconsin; Albert G. Jones, Idaho; L. H. Easterly, Colorado and Wyoming.

*Committee to prepare resolutions on the death of Q. M. Gen. A. C. Estabrook.*—Thomas Ambrose, Illinois, chairman; Martin J. Warner, Michigan; Sylvester S. Patterson, Oklahoma.



*Committee to prepare resolutions on the death of National Patriotic Instructor Asa O. Gere.*—Dr. John H. Stone, Indiana; J. P. Fair, Kansas; Truman Parsons, Connecticut.

*Committee to prepare resolutions on the death of Past Commander in Chief Overton H. Mennet.*—Russell C. Martin, California and Nevada, chairman; Ira Stormes, Utah; Frederick Pfister, Ohio.

*Committee to prepare resolutions on the death of Past Commander in Chief C. H. William Ruhe.*—Robert M. Rownd, New York, chairman; John L. Chapman, Pennsylvania; John Hollingsworth, Missouri.

Commander in Chief, there are several communications.

Commander in Chief NIXON. If those committees can meet and report to our convention tomorrow we would like it very much.

Secretary FLOOD. The information needed for any memorial resolutions will be found in the in memoriam notices in General Orders 4 and 5. If you do not have them we have them in Room 312.

Commander, I have several telegrams. I will read them.

TONKAWA, OKLA., September 14, 1941.

We send greetings and best wishes to the National Grand Army Encampment and Auxiliaries.

S. PATTERSON,  
Oklahoma Department Commander.

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DUBUQUE, IOWA, September 16, 1941.

Please extend greetings to commander in chief, officers, comrades, and all allied organizations of Grand Army of the Republic.

Yours in fraternity, charity, and loyalty.

Past National Senior Vice F. L. AND MRS. QUADE.

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INDEPENDENCE, KANS., September 16, 1941.

W. W. NIXON,

Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic:

Congratulations and best wishes.

FLO YOUNG,  
Past Department President.

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KANSAS CITY, KANS., September 15, 1941.

W. W. NIXON,

Grand Army of the Republic Convention, Columbus, Ohio:

James W. Cashner Woman's Relief Corps 188 extends greetings to our own national commander and all our fathers.

BARRETT BERT, President,  
CECIL BORGSTADT, Secretary.

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KANSAS CITY, KANS., September 16, 1941.

W. W. NIXON,

National Commander, Columbus, Ohio:

Greetings to you and your convention.

JENNIE E. BURCH, TENT No. 26,  
DAUGHTERS OF UNION VETERANS.

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CHETEK, WIS., September 15, 1941.

NATIONAL CONVENTION,

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

Columbus, Ohio:

The Howard Campbell Post 179 of Chetek, Wis., sends greetings to its two most distinguished citizens, Messrs. Ansel Goolsbey and B. Regli, who are at-

tending the national Grand Army encampment, and we desire them to have the trip and pleasure of their lives.

LLOYD MOGENSEN,  
*Commander, Howard Campbell American Legion Post.*

PHILADELPHIA, PA., *September 17, 1941.*

COMMANDER IN CHIEF,

*Grand Army of the Republic, National Encampment,  
Columbus, Ohio:*

The Admiral George W. Melville Garrison of the Army and Navy Union assembled in fifty-fourth annual muster salutes the enthusiastic, patriotic fervor of your seventy-fifth annual encampment as being no less than that of your first encampment.

ROSS MACIVER, *Adjutant.*

KANSAS CITY, KANS., *September 13, 1941.*

W. W. NIXON,

*National Commander of Grand Army of the Republic,  
Columbus, Ohio:*

DEAR NATIONAL COMMANDER: Wyandotte Camp, No. 13, Sons of Union Veterans, of Kansas City, Kans., wish to extend greetings to you, our own national commander from Kansas, and wish for you and our fathers a most happy and successful convention.

Yours in fraternity, charity, and loyalty.

NEWTON KINSBURY, *Commander.*  
A. M. LOZIER, *Secretary.*

WARREN, OHIO, *September 11, 1942.*

Mr. W. W. NIXON,

*National Commander, Grand Army of the Republic,  
Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR COMRADE: The members of Captain Nathaniel Lang Garrison, No. 283, Army and Navy Union, United States of America, extends to you and your comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic assembled for your national encampment at Columbus, Ohio, their best wishes for a most pleasant and enjoyable encampment.

That the heroic service rendered the Nation by the Boys in Blue during the years 1861 to 1865 will be an inspiration for all Americans to give their all, if necessary, to protect our flag and preserve our Nation.

Wishing the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic a most successful encampment, the members of Captain N. Lang Garrison, No. 283, remain,

Yours in comradeship,

C. D. MCCREARY, *Commander.*

[SEAL]

Attest:

WALTER ZEIGLER, *Adjutant.*

General Orders No. 5 asked to have nominations from each department for the council of administration and the committee on resolutions handed in to national headquarters last night.

We will postpone this for the greetings committee from the Sons of Union Veterans.

(Committee presented by the officer of the day, consisting of Past Commanders in Chief Ralph R. Barrett, William L. Anderson, Park Yengling, and Frank Kirchgassner.)

Commander in Chief NIXON. We are very glad indeed to have you come before us.



Dr. BARRETT. Past commanders in chief of the Sons of Veterans, Commander in Chief Nixon, and members of your encampment. The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in session in this city are holding their sixtieth annual encampment. We are happy, and it is a pleasure for us to come here this afternoon. I am sorry if we are taking too much of your time. We find ourselves this afternoon in the Sons of Union Veterans in special work along legislative matters in the affairs of our organization. But the Grand Army of the Republic is the organization that we love and have dearly loved through the years, and we wish to serve you in any way that we can.

Commander in Chief Nixon, we hope that your meeting here, as we are sure it will be by the fine attendance that you have, will assure you a successful encampment.

I wish to say personally and as a representative of the organization that I have been pleased to note in some of the things that the veterans have said at this occasion in this encampment as I have been privileged to listen to them, an indication that you feel sure that you can trust the Sons of Union Veterans, your sons, and that you have confidence in them that they will carry on to the utmost the principles and objects that you have taught us during these many years that we have been privileged as boys and young men, and grown-up men, and men with families and professions, and so on, that we have been privileged to listen to these counsels. So that we are thoroughly imbued with the fact that we want to be good citizens of this great country which you have saved that we might enjoy the privileges of the Union of the United States of America, the greatest union, I think, that there is in the world today without any question. And that is a privilege that we have under this grand flag that our fathers preserved for us. [Applause.]

And so, my comrades, Commander Nixon, department commanders throughout this Nation of ours who have come here to this State—my native State, but now I happen to have been in California for some little time—this is a great privilege to bring our greetings of the sixtieth annual encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans to you.

I was happy, indeed, if you will allow me to say so to my past commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic last year, because I was commander in chief under that splendid gentleman, John Andrew, for a while—a privilege I had of meeting him. And then when he was taken away, to have the privilege of meeting another one who took up and carried on, Past Commander in Chief Anderson. It was a privilege I had of meeting these men of yours.

And these comrades from California, I am sorry that I do not see the faces of two illustrious past commanders in chief in this meeting. One was Dr. O. H. Mennet. I was brought to his bedside in the last few days. He wanted me to come and sit with him and to talk, he being a physician and I being a physician. Hand in hand we talked over the propositions and some of the precious things of life. And then just that last afternoon that he received anyone, I was there as the sun was setting in the West. He talked to me about that idea of the setting sun and going out to meet the Father. And he said, "I realize that the time is short." I received the message early the next morning that he had closed his eyes in eternal sleep and gone to his Master, where he was talking about going a few hours before. I will



never forget that conversation in my life as a medical man—doctor to doctor, knowing that the inevitable was right there, waiting for a special moment when the call would come.

And then our good friend Past Commander in Chief Russell Martin is sick at home, and we miss him. We love him out there, and I am sorry that he cannot come. I know how he feels, most of all this afternoon.

So, comrades, I thank you for this privilege. I want you to meet Past Commander in Chief Brother Anderson, who preceded me as commander in chief of the Sons. Brother Anderson, of Massachusetts.

Past Commander in Chief W. L. ANDERSON. Commander in Chief Nixon and comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, preservers of our Union, I am very happy indeed to have this honor and privilege of joining with my brothers of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in coming to you today to bring you sincere good wishes of the national organization of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

No doubt you comrades must be keenly interested in the activities that are going on throughout the world today. In our own country we are listening to songs of America, we are hearing songs of America. And when I think of America I necessarily must think of the Grand Army of the Republic, the soldiers of the Union Army who made America possible.

We are seeing a great deal in our papers today throughout this country about national defense and the front line of defense. Are we forgetting, we citizens of America, that over 75 years ago you men were the first line of defense? And you have been the first line of defense since that war in preserving the ideals of America and Americanism; and I as a son of a Union soldier of the Civil War feel deeply honored to have this privilege of coming here today to greet the men that made the sacrifices over 75 years ago that the people of today may enjoy the privileges that we are in this a united country of ours.

Oh, my friends and comrades, it was not a question of Europe, it was not a question of Africa or Asia, but it was a question in your day to preserve the United States of America; and that is what you did. And we hope today that will be the principle of our Army and Navy, irrespective of what is going on in Europe, is to preserve that which you fought for, the United States of America.

Dr. BARRETT. Brother Yengling, of Ohio, past commander in chief, for just a word of greetings.

Past Commander in Chief YENGLING. Commander in chief Nixon, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, being a member of the department in which you hold your encampment, I want to especially wish and hope that Ohio is treating you boys just the same way we always treat a Grand Army of the Republic comrade wherever we find him. And I am mightily pleased that I see so many Ohio Grand Army men here.

Dr. Barrett just told you about the sickness of Comrade Russell Martin. He was my commander in chief in 1934 when I was commander in chief of the Sons of Union Veterans. It is with deep regret that I come to this encampment and cannot talk with and be with Colonel Martin. He was almost like a second father to me.

Again, comrades, I hope the Department of Ohio is taking good care of you. I know if there is anything that is missed you can just



tell the Sons of Union Veterans, and we will try and get it. Thank you for listening to me. Thank you for the privilege.

Dr. BARRETT. Frank Kirchgassner, another past commander in chief of this organization.

Past Commander in Chief KIRCHGASSNER. Commander in chief and comrades, I am very happy to join with my brothers in bringing greetings from the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. The calendar says today is September 17, Constitution Day, and when that Constitution was assailed and Abraham Lincoln called for you men to save this Union you went forth and preserved this Nation of ours, and, thank God, we are living in America because of your preservation of it.

We thank God that you have been spared to come to this seventy-fifth anniversary of your organization, the noblest that the world has ever seen or will see, and we trust that you may be spared to come again and join hands and give inspiration to the coming generations that this Union of ours must always be maintained.

Dr. BARRETT. Commander in Chief, a token from our commander in chief, a token of fraternity, charity, and loyalty.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Thank you. We are always glad to have the Sons come. They are always welcome. I believe I will call on Comrade A. T. Anderson, our past commander in chief, to respond to these boys.

Secretary FLOOD. While Comrade Anderson is coming up here I would tell these boys that I had yesterday a letter from Comrade Martin, written by himself on Sunday afternoon, and he said that he thought he was seeing the beginning of another day; that for a while the doctor's medicine had not helped him, but that that afternoon everything seemed to have cleared away and he hoped to be out at his son's home on his birthday.

Past Commander in Chief A. T. ANDERSON. Sons of Union Veterans, I consider it a great honor to be asked to respond to the Sons of Union Veterans. We have the highest respect and the highest honor to confer upon you for standing by the fathers of this country.

We are here today in this peaceful room. But who made it peaceful for you and for the citizens of this community and the United States of America? It is my comrades who sleep in the different cemeteries that made this country. They jeopardized their lives in '61 and '65, and today you and I who are here—a little remnant of Grand Army men—should be very thankful that Providence has spared us to live and occupy this peaceful country.

They may talk about their wars over there in Europe and other places. I consider it nothing but murder, flying along over the heads of a people, dropping bombs down on innocent women and children. They have killed more innocent women and children than they have of the men that are fighting them. Yes, comrades, we didn't have any bombs to throw at anybody. We threw the bullets out of the guns in the faces of the men that were fighting us, and had we not won that battle at Gettysburg, today we would have been in the same condition that they are across the waters. It was that victory that saved this country.

Talk about spending millions of dollars to get ready in this country. Gentlemen, did we spend any money to get ready? No. We had to march out and take the guns and fight the enemy.

So, Sons of Veterans, we are glad to hear your message to us today. You spoke the sentiments of every Grand Army man, I think. I thank you. [Applause.]

Secretary FLOOD. There is a greetings committee from the local Spanish War Veterans' Auxiliary outside.

Comrade ALBERT E. GAGE, of Illinois. I wish to address the honorable committee before they leave on this one point. You have extolled our virtues, you have extolled our services, but you never gave us credit for 5 years of service, which makes our service to our country 80 instead of 75 years. Please have it recorded to that effect. We have 5 years of service. The organization is now celebrating its seventy-fifth jubilee.

(The committee retired, and the officer of the day presented Mrs. Elizabeth Baehr, past president, and Mrs. Violet Carson, chaplain, Columbus Auxiliary No. 18, U. S. W. V.)

Mrs. BAEHR. It gives me great pleasure to bring you greetings from Columbus Auxiliary No. 18, United Spanish War Veterans. I hope you enjoy yourselves. I hope you will be invited to come back again, which I know you will. This is for you. Take it home with you.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Thank you. I don't know what to say, I am getting so many presents. Thank you very much.

Mrs. BAEHR. Sister Flood, it gives me great pleasure to give you a loving greeting from our organization. I have been told many times that you have taken very good care of the veterans in both this and our organizations. Sister Flood, I want you to take this home with you. I know you will enjoy it.

Secretary FLOOD. Sisters, this is rather a surprise to me. I don't often get nice things of this kind. Somebody usually finds that there is something I have left undone that I should have done, and they tell me about it. But I do appreciate this, and I do my best for my comrades.

Commander in Chief NIXON. I am awfully glad somebody else is getting presents. I am awfully glad to see Katharine Flood get this present. The junior vice will respond.

Junior Vice Commander in Chief RUSTAN O. REED. My dear ladies of the Spanish War Auxiliary of this State of Ohio, I have witnessed your coming here and paying your respects to our commander in chief and our noble secretary, and I want to say to you I am pleased to see you do that. I know that the women belonging to the Auxiliary of the Spanish War Veterans of the United States are as fine a body of women as can be found anywhere. In our city they are always on hand to do anything that can be done for the relief of the people that are in distress wherever they go. And for our comrade and this lady I want to say again that we as a body thank you for coming here and showing your love for these people. We realize that it goes to the members of the Grand Army of the Republic. [The ladies retired.]

The OFFICER OF THE DAY. May I have the pleasure of introducing Mrs. Rowling, past national president, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic with greetings committee.

Commander in Chief NIXON. We are always glad to meet the Ladies of the Grand Army.

Mrs. CORA ROWLING. This is Mrs. Elizabeth Sparks, of Indiana; Mrs. Frances Rohrbach, past department president of Kansas, and



Mrs. Mary Gay, of New Hampshire. We come from the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, bringing the greetings from our president to our commander in chief. We always love to come to the comrades and tell them how much we still love them. I suppose they hear that every day from somebody, but it is not any truer from anybody else than from us. We are in convention over there, very much crowded with work, so we are not going to take up your time or ours with a lot of flowery speeches. But we come bringing a little gift from our president to you, and with her love and that of the body of our order.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Thank you. Thank you.

Mrs. SPARKS. Comrades, just one word. I hope to meet everyone of you in Indianapolis next year.

Commander in Chief NIXON. I hope so, too.

Mrs. ROHRBACH. Comrades, you just heard our chairman say we were busy. We know you are too. I do want to say that we are very proud of our national commander. You know we are from Kansas where the great, big sunflowers grow. Look at home and look at me and you will know.

Mrs. GAY. Comrades, it is a great privilege for me to have the honor of visiting you on the greetings committee to the Grand Army. There is something I never had the honor of doing before, and whoever your commander in chief will be next year, I wish for him the very best of luck and success. And I am bringing you greetings from the Ladies of the G. A. R. Thank you.

Commander in Chief NIXON. We are always glad to have the Ladies of the Grand Army come before us. I believe I will call on Comrade Gay, of Massachusetts. He is a member of our executive committee. I will call on him to respond to these ladies.

Secretary FLOOD. And the lady here is his wife.

Comrade GEORGE A. GAY, of Massachusetts. Commander in Chief, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, and comrades, of course I am happy to be here this afternoon. One particular reason is when my wife married me she got into the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, and that is where I want all of my relatives that are eligible to be.

But now these ladies have come to bring their greetings to us, and their love, to the Grand Army of the Republic. I am proud of my record in the Grand Army of the Republic, and I am also proud of all of our organizations in the Grand Army of the Republic, for they are the best organizations on God's earth. And so I am deeply happy because of having my wife with me. I love to meet these Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. And God bless you and keep you, and I want to meet you another and another year. I will go where the boys say we go. [Committee retires.]

Secretary FLOOD. Will the officer of the day bring in the greetings committee from the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary?

(The committee—composed of Stella B. Owen, past national president; Agnes Palmer, past department president, Pennsylvania; Lena Barrett, past department president, California; and Kathryn Hill, past department president, Kansas—was presented to the encampment. Also Bertha Church, past department president, Ohio, representing the chairman of the citizens' committee.)

Commander in Chief NIXON. We are glad to meet you. Come right up on the platform.

Mrs. OWEN. Commander in Chief Nixon and comrades of my father, I have been coming to national encampments for over 25 years, and this is the first time that I have been honored by an appointment to visit the Grand Army of the Republic, and I assure you that after my many years of service with my organization that this is the crowning point.

I come to you this afternoon and bring the greetings of my national president, Sister Clara Gallagher. Yesterday afternoon your commander in chief and some of your good comrades visited our encampment. To me it seemed the very benediction of our year's work, and I want to tell you how much every one of us appreciated that visit and how much we all love you.

Comrade Nixon, I know I voice the sentiment of all of our sisters when we bring to you our love and tell you that we wish for you and your comrades many years of health, and for you, especially, to return to your home and enjoy these laurels which you have so nobly won.

Now I want to introduce to you a sister who is really not a member of our greetings committee, but one who has something very material to say to each one of the comrades. This is Sister Bertha Church, of Ohio, chairman of the Auxiliary committee of arrangements. She has something that she wants to say to each one of you comrades.

Mrs. CHURCH. Commander in Chief Nixon, your staff officers, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, as I stand looking into your faces I fully realize that there is something preeminently sweet about these encampments—something permanent as well—because it represents the past and the formation and the memories of a patriotic America. We shall never forget you, and we will not permit anyone else to forget you. Your leadership shall never end, but continue to guide the generations to come. And we patriotic women affiliated with you will see to it that without successful opposition you shall be raised to immortality in the hearts of the American people.

When the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks in my city learned that I had been appointed chairman of arrangements for the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, they inquired of me if there was not some little courtesy that they could do to show their loyalty and respect to the Grand Army of the Republic, and I suggested to them knives because I know that all boys love knives, love to whittle. So I stand before you today as chairman of the committee on arrangements of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War to present to you a pearl-handled knife with the compliments of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of Mount Vernon, Ohio. Your presence permeates our very souls, and I thank God that He has preserved the health of you comrades and permitted so many of you to come to Ohio and attend this encampment.

Now if the greetings committee will assist me we will present these. [Knives distributed to members of the Encampment.]

Mrs. OWEN. My comrades, we have taken up a little bit more time than we expected in distributing these knives. I just want to introduce the other members of my committee and then we will retire. The lady on my left is Sister Lena Barrett, past department president, of California.



Mrs. BARRETT. This is Lena Barrett, wife of Dr. Barrett, whom you all know, from the California and Pacific Department. He was commander in chief last year of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. I bring my personal greetings to Kansas and our commander in chief because that is my native State; and to my other State of California, my greetings to these California comrades; and to one and all of the other ones, including Illinois, my father's State. I hope you have a wonderful convention, and don't get too tired.

Mrs. OWEN. Our next sister is Sister Agnes Palmer, past department president of Pennsylvania.

Mrs. PALMER. My dear comrades, I was more than delighted when our national president, Sister Clara Gallagher, appointed me to bring greetings to you comrades here. I have been a member of the Auxiliary for the past 26 years and attended many national conventions, but this is the first time that I was ever honored to come to such a grand convention. I want to extend the greetings of our national president and my own personal greetings, and I hope that God will bless each and every one of you, spare you, and that you will be with us many, many times to come. Thank you.

Mrs. OWEN. Our next sister is a past department president from Kansas, Sister Kathryn Hill.

Mrs. HILL. Dear Comrades, I will get over here and speak to my friends from Kansas. They are a little hard of hearing. But they all remembered me from seeing me before. I was glad to get to come over here and see you, and hope you all keep well till you get home again.

Secretary FLOOD. Sister Bertha, three of our national officers are missing—our dearly beloved adjutant general, Colonel Martin; the quartermaster general, Comrade Hamilton; and the inspector general, Comrade Henninger. If I might send those comrades a knife, I know that they would appreciate it. Thank you.

Commander in Chief NIXON. We are glad to have these girls here with us. I believe I will ask Comrade Pfiester to respond to these greetings.

Comrade FREDERICK PFIESTER, of Ohio. Commander and comrades, I am asked to talk to the ladies—something new to me. But I will state this much, that I am pleased to be here today. I am past department commander of the State of Ohio. I am always glad to assist the ladies. They are always willing to do all they can for the Grand Army of the Republic. And this old boy is one of the great hearts of Hamilton County. I am all right; I am willing to do all I can for the boys in blue. I have been doing this for the last 60 years. I hope I live many more years to help the boys and girls along. Thank you.

The OFFICER OF THE DAY. To my sisters, I want to thank you very kindly for the present which you have left me; and also the same for the Boy Scouts and the guard outside. [Referring to Col. Arthur C. Bennett, of Connecticut, who acted efficiently as outer guard and prepared a complete roster of the veterans in attendance at the encampment.] I want to thank you very kindly. [The committee retired.]

Secretary FLOOD. We have to have nominations for the national council of administration and for the committee on resolutions before you adjourn. They were not turned in by most of the departments as requested, and I will now call the roll and ask the department com-



mander to give his recommendation for the national council of administration. (Calling the roll: The complete list of the council will be found at p. 99 of this journal in connection with the proceedings attending their election.)

The roll was also called for the announcement of members of the committee on resolutions, with the following result:

*Committee on resolutions*

Department	Name	Address
California and Nevada	John W. Grimes	Long Beach.
Colorado and Wyoming	Robert T. Bryan	Boulder.
Connecticut	Charles Douglas	New Haven.
Idaho	Albert G. Jones	Boise.
Illinois	George H. Summers	Rockford.
Indiana	Isaac N. Sharp	Warsaw.
Iowa	Thomas J. Noll	Des Moines.
Kansas	Francis Brown	Kansas City, Kans.
Maine	John W. Fogler	Skowhegan.
Massachusetts	George N. Alden	New Bedford.
Michigan	Orlando LeValley	Caro.
Minnesota	John McConnell	Le Sueur.
Missouri	George W. Johnson	Kansas City.
Nebraska	Alfred Hendee	Panama.
New Hampshire	Lyman E. Butterfield	Manchester.
New Jersey	Wm. H. McCoy	Trenton.
New York	Edwin Morris	Elmira.
Ohio	W. L. Hooper	Columbus.
Oklahoma	E. H. Sawyer	Minco.
Oregon	T. A. Penland	Portland.
Pennsylvania	A. T. Anderson	Washington.
Texas	John Shearer	Houston.
Utah	Ira Stormes	Salt Lake City.
Vermont	Charles A. Heyer	St. Johnsbury.
Washington and Alaska	Rustan O. Reed	Seattle.
Wisconsin	W. P. Bryant	Milwaukee.

Commander in Chief NIXON. I will appoint Comrade Noll as chairman of the committee. You can meet as soon as we adjourn. Would the members of this committee like to meet now or come back in this room tonight at 7:30?

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. Permit me to suggest that the committee meet immediately after we adjourn and let them fix the hour that they want to meet.

Commander in Chief NIXON. A good suggestion.

Secretary FLOOD. I would like some authority from this encampment to send the greetings from their comrades to the adjutant general, the quartermaster general, and the inspector general. They are at home, all of them grievously disappointed. I think they are waiting for a message from their comrades.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Is there any comrade who wants to make a motion to that effect?

Past Commander in Chief A. T. ANDERSON. I make a motion that we send greetings to these comrades. [Seconded by Past Commander in Chief Rownd.]

Commander in Chief NIXON. All in favor of the motion say "Aye." Contrary, "No." The ayes have it.

Secretary FLOOD. The members of the committee on resolutions will remain here for about 5 minutes after the others have gone out, to determine the time you will meet.

Past Commander in Chief Rownd. I move that we now adjourn to meet at 9:30 tomorrow morning.

Commander in Chief Nixon. We will now adjourn until 9:30 tomorrow morning. We will meet sharp at 9:30.

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1941

Morning session, 9:55 a. m.

The encampment was called to order by the commander in chief, William W. Nixon, and opened by the ritualistic invocation by the chaplain in chief, Rev. Joshua C. Pearce.

Commander in Chief Nixon. We now have, comrades, some communications.

Secretary Flood (reading):

MILWAUKEE, WIS., September 13, 1941.

W. W. NIXON,

*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic,  
Columbus, Ohio:*

Proud to follow in the footsteps of the Grand Army of the Republic in serving our country, the American Legion on the eve of its twenty-third national convention, sends its best wishes for a most successful 1941 reunion of the men who saved the Union which we of the Legion are dedicated to defend at all costs in these renewed times of peril.

MILO J. WARNER,  
*National Commander,  
The American Legion.*

In sending telegrams last night to our absent officers I acknowledged this greeting in the name of the commander in chief and this encampment.

KANSAS CITY, KANS., September 14, 1941.

W. W. NIXON,

*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic,  
Columbus, Ohio:*

Greetings from Mary B. Sturges, Maxfield Tent, No. 13. We are proud of you and wish you a successful and happy encampment.

Mrs. OLLIE L. MASON, *President.*  
ALETHA M. MOORE, *Secretary.*

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MILWAUKEE, WIS., September 15, 1941.

NATIONAL COMMANDER,

*Grand Army of the Republic, Columbus, Ohio:*

Greetings and best wishes to the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic for a most successful and happy encampment.

RALPH H. STONE,  
*Department Commander.*

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KANSAS CITY, Mo., September 14, 1941.

W. W. NIXON,

*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic, Columbus, Ohio:*

Greetings and best wishes for a successful encampment. Regret sickness prevents my being with you.

Comrade C. W. BURRILL,  
*Past Surgeon General.*



BURBANK, CALIF., *September 15, 1941.*

WILLIAM W. NIXON,

*Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, Columbus, Ohio:*

Congratulations on your successful administration as commander in chief. Wishing you a most successful encampment. Sorry I cannot be with you.

Cordially,

JOSEPH B. HENNINGER.

I will acknowledge all of these greetings.

I want the comrades to listen to this communication carefully. You have to vote on it [reading]:

HEADQUARTERS, THE NATIONAL WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

COLUMBUS, OHIO, *September 15, 1941.*

W. W. NIXON,

*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic.*

DEAR COMMANDER IN CHIEF: It is with much pleasure that I, as president of the National Woman's Relief, present to you and through you to the Seventy-fifth National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, the following offer:

Having established a permanent headquarters for our organization, the National Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, at 629 South Seventh Street, in the city of Springfield, Ill., it is our privilege to place before your honorable body for action an offer, without compensation, to establish your national headquarters in our building.

It is needless perhaps to add that we would be most highly honored and very greatly pleased to have your national headquarters located in our building.

Trusting that your action on the above offer will be favorable, I am,

Very sincerely yours in fraternity, charity, and loyalty,

GRACE HOULETTE HAHN,  
*National President.*

EMMA W. CAMPBELL,  
*National Secretary.*

Commander in Chief NIXON. Now, comrades, what shall we do with this offer?

Comrade ALBERT E. GAGE, of Illinois. I move its acceptance in full and unanimously. [Motion seconded.]

Commander in Chief NIXON. Any remarks?

Comrade GEORGE A. GAY, of Massachusetts. Commander in Chief and comrades, I think it would be wise—you may not think so. If you don't, why you have a chance to vote, of course. I would like to make an amendment to that offer. Let's try it for 1 year. Let's have a trial over there, and as time progresses and we meet here another year, if it is satisfactory all around, why let's accept that invitation in its entirety. But let's not grasp at straws. Let's go over there and see how we like it. If we like it, why we will vote for it. That is only my idea. Just a suggestion.

Secretary FLOOD. There is an amendment before the house. Comrade Gay offers an amendment to the motion that you try the headquarters in Springfield for 1 year. The invitation says "Permanent." He believes you should try it for 1 year and see how it works, and if it works all right next year make it permanent. That is his amendment.

Comrade GAGE. I accept the amendment.

Comrade LEWIS H. EASTERLY, of Colorado and Wyoming. I second the amendment. I don't know whether we have any lawyers in the house or not. I am not a lawyer but I am pretty well posted in the



law—raised by a judge and read a great deal of law. We will get ourselves into trouble if we don't look out. We are incorporated as a body with headquarters in Washington city, and we are recognized as a corporation with our headquarters in Washington city. What are we going to do about that? We would have to take legal process to discharge ourselves from that law if we are incorporated with the headquarters in Washington before we can establish our headquarters, except temporarily, somewhere else. I am in favor of that amendment that we establish our headquarters for 1 year in Springfield, Ill.

Comrade GAY. Would you allow me just one moment? I don't wish to take up your time.

Judge Advocate General T. J. NOLL. I am opposed to that amendment. We have been housed together for the last 50 years. We have got along harmoniously and pleasantly, the Woman's Relief Corps and the Grand Army of the Republic. I see no reason for a trial year to accept that offer.

Comrade GAY. What I wanted to say, we have, comrades, this wonderful organization of the Woman's Relief Corps, and now we have got to look at a little finance. Not only in that line, but we want the Woman's Relief Corps. They have done so much for us we really want to recognize them. They have been a noble institution to the Grand Army of the Republic, and we can in no wise throw them down. So that was one of my reasons for making this amendment. I want to go a little further. I just want to say that they have always been magnanimous to the Grand Army of the Republic and we want to recognize them. And by and by when your next commander in chief, whoever he is, gets around to that glorious campfire, why he is going to get an envelope. You need it. We need it. We want their efforts and we want the money because it is indispensable. That is all.

Secretary FLOOD. The amendment is to accept the offer for 1 year and see how it works out.

Commander in Chief NIXON. All those in favor of the amendment say "Aye." Contrary, "No." Well, the ayes have it.

Secretary FLOOD. Now you have to act on the invitation to place your headquarters there. You have accepted the amendment.

Commander in Chief NIXON. We have accepted the amendment and now we act on the original.

Secretary FLOOD. To accept their offer of a headquarters.

Commander in Chief NIXON. All in favor of the original offer of a headquarters at Springfield say "Aye." Contrary, "No." The ayes have it.

Secretary FLOOD. I will see that Mrs. Hahn is notified very shortly.

Do you want to act on your invitations now for the national encampment?

Commander in Chief NIXON. We can.

Secretary FLOOD. I have some correspondence from the manager of the Tourist Bureau in Detroit. I told him at length the requirements for a national encampment, and in return I have received this:

We are pleased to enclose invitations from the mayor, Detroit Board of Commerce, and this bureau, inviting the Grand Army of the Republic to hold its 1942 convention in Detroit.

It is our belief Detroit offers you every advantage necessary for a most successful meeting, and we want to assure you of our cooperation in every way possible.

Our publicity department will be placed at your service to assist in securing a maximum amount of publicity. We shall be glad to furnish photographs and stories for advance publicity, as well as a sufficient number of girls to take care of the registration of your delegates. These services will, of course, be furnished gratis to your association.

Looking forward to having you with us in Detroit, we are

Very truly yours,

J. LEE BARRETT,  
*Executive Vice President.*

Now we have this letter from the mayor, and I want you to notice carefully there is no money promised.

CITY OF DETROIT, EXECUTIVE OFFICE,  
*August 18, 1941.*

*To the Members of the Grand Army of the Republic in Convention in Columbus, Ohio.*

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: A sincere and hearty invitation is extended your association by Detroit to hold your next meeting with us. As mayor of the city of Detroit, I assure you a sojourn in our beautiful city will be one long remembered by your membership.

Nature has been exceedingly generous to Detroit in bestowing upon us a beautiful environment. Our majestic Detroit River, incomparable Belle Isle, the Zoological Gardens, Canada across the river, and our great industrial plants all lend an attraction to visitors.

Detroit will be honored to be your host in 1942.

EDWARD J. JEFFRIES, Jr., *Mayor.*

Also:

DETROIT CONVENTION AND TOURIST BUREAU,  
*August 19, 1941.*

*To the Members of the Grand Army of the Republic in Convention in Columbus, Ohio.*

LADIES AND GENTLEMAN: Detroit cordially invites the 1942 convention of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The selection of Detroit will insure your convention of a maximum attendance at a minimum of cost, not only because of the many attractions our city offers, but also because of our central location and easy accessibility by every means of transportation.

Detroit's large variety of hotels, with excellent convention facilities, makes it possible for your members to select the type of accommodations they desire at rates to suit each purse.

No other city has more to offer in the way of attractive features. In addition to our outstanding educational institutions, you will enjoy a visit to our beautiful Art Center, famous Belle Isle, theaters, as well as Canada, which is just a few minutes ride by way of the Ambassador Bridge or International Tunnel. A visit to Henry Ford's unique Greenfield Village and the Edison Institute of Technology will be of particular interest. Here you can see a collection of historically famous buildings from all over the country, the laboratory where Thomas A. Edison invented the electric light and the phonograph, and many other features.

The industrial side of Detroit offers you an opportunity to see your favorite automobile assembled, drugs and chemicals mixed for every purpose, steel mills and foundries, and almost any other kind of industrial plant you might care to visit.

We sincerely believe Detroit, America's fourth city, will give you an ideal setting for a most outstanding convention in 1942.

Very truly yours,

J. LEE BARRETT,  
*Executive Vice President.*

DETROIT BOARD OF COMMERCE,  
*August 18, 1941.*

*To the Grand Army of the Republic Convening in Columbus, Ohio.*

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: That Detroit Board of Commerce is happy to have the opportunity to extend to you a most cordial invitation to hold your 1942 convention in Detroit.



We are proud of Detroit and eager to have you share with us its many points of interest. Ours is a truly international city, not only by reason of its citizenry, but also because of our location, being just across the beautiful Detroit River from Canada, which can be reached by tunnel or bridge.

Much is available in this intriguing city of genuine interest, education, and entertainment. Here you can see your favorite automobile move down the assembly line, visit renowned Greenfield (historical) Village and the Edison Institute of Technology, our beautiful theaters and art center, Belle Isle, and the numerous other attractive features to be found here.

We sincerely hope you will accept our invitation and honor Detroit with your 1942 convention.

Sincerely,

HARVEY CAMPBELL,  
*Executive Vice President.*

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. In view of the fact that no assurance is given that any appropriation will be made by Detroit, I move that the communication be laid upon the table.

Secretary FLOOD. Let's read all of them first, and then take action on all of them. They are all alike. [Reading:]

STATE OF INDIANA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
*Indianapolis.*

Mrs. NELIE STAMMEL,  
*President, Ladies of the G. A. R. in Convention Assembled,*  
*Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR MRS. STAMMEL: Through you as president of the Ladies of the G. A. R., it is my privilege and pleasure as Governor of the State of Indiana to extend to the G. A. R. encampment in convention assembled at Columbus, Ohio, my greetings and sincere wishes for a most successful and pleasant convention.

The people of Indiana remember with great pleasure the last encampment of your group in the city of Indianapolis and are not unmindful of the fact that the first encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic was held in our capital city, Indianapolis.

It is now my privilege to extend a most cordial invitation to your organization to meet in Indianapolis in 1942. I want to assure you of my moral and financial support and to tell you as well that our people in Indiana will do all within their power to make your next encampment here a distinct success.

Very truly yours,

HENRY F. SCHRICKER,  
*Governor of Indiana.*

CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR,  
*September 11, 1941.*

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*In Convention Assembled, Columbus, Ohio.*

MEMBERS: I am very glad to have the opportunity of adding my invitation to those you have already received, inviting the Grand Army of the Republic to hold its encampment in the Hoosier capital in 1942.

The city of Indianapolis would undoubtedly prove to be an interesting city in which to meet. Its historical, cultural, and entertainment attractions are found to be most interesting to the many thousands of convention delegates who come here to spend a few days with us each year.

It is my hope that the delegates from your organization will have an enjoyable time at Columbus this year, and any support that you might see fit to give our invitation for 1942 will be sincerely appreciated.

Yours very truly,

REGINALD H. SULLIVAN,  
*Mayor.*



INDIANAPOLIS CONVENTION AND PUBLICITY BUREAU,  
Indianapolis, September 11, 1941.

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*In Convention Assembled, Columbus, Ohio.*

MEMBERS: We are very happy to have the opportunity of joining in an invitation to your organization to hold its encampment in Indianapolis in 1942.

Among the many advantages enjoyed by our city as a convention center are those of central location, a city easily accessible to all parts of the country, a city with adequate convention facilities, and a true spirit of hospitality to the many thousands of visitors who come to our city each year.

The requirements of your organization from the standpoint of hotels, meeting halls, and other facilities required have been carefully studied and can be met in Indianapolis.

On behalf of the businessmen of the city who are represented in the membership of our organization, we are very happy to join with your local and State members and with city and State officials in urging you to meet in Indianapolis in 1942.

Yours very truly,

HENRY T. DAVIS, *Secretary-Manager.*

These invitations came from Portland, Oreg., by way of the Relief Corps convention:

CITY OF PORTLAND, OREG., August 26, 1941.

WOMEN'S RELIEF CORPS,  
*Columbus, Ohio.*

*To the President and Delegates in Convention:*

Portland, the "City of Roses," cordially invites the ladies of the Women's Relief Corps to hold their 1942 convention in this city.

Portland is ideally located for conventions in many respects. The attractions for such meetings are many. We are only a 2 hours' drive from the Oregon beaches, and snow-capped Mount Hood may be reached in an hour and a half. A trip over the world-famous Columbia Gorge Highway is something no visitor to Portland ever misses. The climate here is mild throughout the entire year, and the flowers and evergreens are always lovely.

Portland invites you to enjoy its hospitality and its scenic beauty. Everything possible will be done to make your convention here successful and enjoyable.

Sincerely,

EARL RILEY, *Mayor.*

PORTLAND CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,  
*Portland, Oreg., August 8, 1941.*

WOMEN'S RELIEF CORPS,  
*In Convention, Columbus, Ohio.*

*To the President and Delegates:*

On behalf of the members of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, it gives me great pleasure to supplement the invitation extended by the Women's Relief Corps, Department of Oregon, for you to hold your 1942 convention in the City of Roses.

Those of your members who have visited this city know that nature has endowed us with numerous factors that go to make up an ideal convention and recreation center, and we are confident that they will look forward to attending a convention here. For those who have never visited Portland and the State of Oregon, a most delightful treat is in store.

We have been host to many notable organizations, some of them the largest in the United States. Members who were in attendance at the sessions convening in Portland have returned home with a very friendly feeling toward our city, as well as with a sincere appreciation of our hospitality.

We shall look forward to hearing that Portland has been selected and assure you that no effort will be spared to make your convention a most successful one.

Sincerely,

E. DON ROSS, *President.*

Those are three invitations. None of them promise to take care of the necessary expenses. We have here a notation that if no choice is made and the matter is referred to the executive committee, Milwaukee and Minneapolis would like to have a chance to get the money.

Comrade J. S. DUMSER, of California and Nevada. Commander and members of the seventy-fifth national encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, speaking of these invitations, I wish to call your attention to a few things that perhaps have come to you as clearly and definitely as to the speaker. We have been up against this thing more than once. And again last year—and a member of the council of administration is speaking—we had this difficulty because the money was not raised to finance our encampment of this year, and that was the reason we are in Columbus today instead of Indianapolis. That is the most vital thing about all this—more important than all the attractions that are named in these cities—and in which we are, of course, somewhat actively interested. They shrink before this other fact that money talks, and we have got to have the money to put over the encampment anywhere.

Now it happened this morning that a representative from Indianapolis, Ind., was present in this building. Whether he is here now or not I do not know, but this is a fact, that he wanted to see our commander in chief and he failed to find him and he told me about this invitation coming from Indianapolis. And I told him in substance what I have just said, that money talked and that we need probably \$10,000, or somewhere near that, to finance the next national encampment, as in other years. And I told him that was the only thing. He did not say to me—in fact he didn't know what the mayor and the Governor had telegraphed. He only spoke of their interest. I told him it would be definitely necessary if they hoped to get the encampment and not throw this matter again into the hands of the council of administration as previously; and that we should hear from the Governor of the State and from the mayor of the city, not merely an invitation and an enumeration of the attractions of the city and all these things that are found in there and are fine in their way, something definite as to whether they could raise the money through their chamber of commerce, or by legislation, or by action of the city authorities in the council. But it was absolutely necessary to meet our needs along this line in order to secure the vote of this encampment.

And I have just this explanation to make. I don't want to multiply words, but we want to be perfectly clear about this or we will have to do again what was done last year—call a meeting of the council of administration to make a choice later. I thank you.

I was assured by this gentleman that he would immediately contact by telegram the two heads, the Governor of the State and the mayor of Indianapolis, to meet this necessity.

Secretary FLOOD. May I state that last winter when the executive committee met in Chicago, Mrs. Stammel had been trying to bring an invitation. She went to the convention bureau man and she told him in detail how much money they must have. He contacted the mayor and the Governor, the same men who signed these invitations. And she waited in Chicago until the last minute of this executive committee meeting to receive assurance from them that the money would be forthcoming. She went to them again before coming here and they knew



before sending these invitations that they had to guarantee \$10,000. The invitations guarantee cultural advantages, which do not pay the bills. But they knew exactly what they had to put in their invitation before they wrote it.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. Commander in Chief, I move that the whole question——

Commander in Chief NIXON. I would like to say a few words before you make that motion. I met Mrs. Stammel last night and was with her. She said she would try to have a personal representative here at our meeting today. Whether he is here now or not I do not know, but she said she would try and have him here today.

Secretary FLOOD. Comrade Dumser just told you he is in the hotel but he has no money to offer you.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. In view of the fact, comrades, we have a businesslike, intelligent executive committee to whom we can trust this whole question, I move that the matter be referred to the executive committee with power to act. That will facilitate the work and they will be able to settle the question.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Any second to that motion?

Comrade ALBERT E. GAGE, of Illinois. Unless there is a second to that motion I move it be withdrawn.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Has the motion been seconded? [Motion seconded.] Any remarks?

Senior Vice Commander in Chief THOMAS AMBROSE. I think that this is a matter of importance to every member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and that it is up to them to indicate a preference as to where they would like to go.

Commander in Chief NIXON. There is no use of that unless the money is furnished.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief AMBROSE. We understand that—if the money is available. That is absolutely necessary. I think that it is up to this convention to express their preference for a place, provided all the necessary financial requirements be met. I have the names here of Detroit, Indianapolis, Portland, Ore., and possibly Milwaukee and Minneapolis. My own preference would be, first, Detroit; second, Indianapolis; third, Milwaukee; fourth, Minneapolis; Portland being too far west and Portland, Maine, being too far east.

Secretary FLOOD. Portland, Maine, did not invite us. May I say that when these invitations came in from Detroit I again wrote Mr. Barrett and told him that the invitations did not include the necessary pledge of money which I had told him would be necessary. I also told him if they found it possible to make that money available you would be glad to receive him here yesterday afternoon in this encampment. And I have had no answer to that letter written 2 weeks ago. Apparently they do not have the money.

Comrade GAGE. Commander in Chief and comrades, this question seems to be open for full discussion, and I move you if the previous motion is withdrawn that we taken positive action at this convention now as to our preference as to where we meet next year. I understand that Indianapolis has qualified in every respect. That seems to be the only consideration in question as to where we shall meet. Therefore I move that Indianapolis be our next encampment meeting place.

Secretary FLOOD. They have not qualified.



Commander in Chief NIXON. There is no use of us acting on that because they have not qualified.

Secretary FLOOD. The suggestion has been made that the roll be called and they indicate their preference one, two and three. That would help your committee if you can get some money out of some of these cities.

Comrade A. R. KIBBE, of Wisconsin. I object to all of that arrangement. I think it should be left to the committee to make the decision. It is taking up a lot of time without getting anywhere. It is not the proper way to do this work.

Secretary FLOOD. It is difficult for Comrade Kibbe to come to the platform, but he feels that you are consuming a lot of time in the encampment here calling the roll to indicate a choice in the place you should like to go; that it should be left to the executive committee, which is supposed to be trustworthy.

Comrade LEWIS H. EASTERLY, of Colorado and Wyoming. I believe that the only thing, under the circumstances, is to leave it to the committee to select a place, provided that place furnishes the sinews of war—the money.

Comrade A. W. GABRIO, of Pennsylvania. Commander in Chief, I move that we postpone action and leave it to our administration to settle the thing, as long as we have no appropriation or guaranty of an appropriation. I move we just postpone it.

Secretary FLOOD. There is that motion by Comrade Rownd, and it has been seconded by Comrade Shumate, that the matter be referred to the executive committee of the national council. Now you can take action on that, and if you vote it down then you can make any other motion you want to.

Commander in Chief NIXON. It has been moved that we refer this to the executive committee of the national council.

Comrade EASTERLY. I endorse that motion. That is the only way to get out of the difficulty.

Commander in Chief NIXON. All in favor of the motion signify it by saying "Aye." Contrary? (Two noes.) It is carried almost unanimously.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I regret very much having withdrawn myself during this discussion. It was for a message that I was very sorry to hear.

Secretary FLOOD. Comrade Rownd was called out and informed of the death of his oldest son's wife. He is under a little bit of stress now. That is why he had to leave the room.

Commander in Chief NIXON. We will now hear from the committee to prepare resolutions on the death of Comrade Estabrook.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief THOMAS AMBROSE. As chairman of the committee I have drawn it in pencil—I can hardly read it myself—last evening after the festivities. But I submitted it to my good brother, Comrade Warner, who has signed it. The third member of the committee is not here. [Reading the tribute which will be found at p. 233 of this journal.]

Commander in Chief NIXON. Comrades, what will we do with this report?

Comrade ALBERT E. GAGE, of Illinois. Accept it and print it in the journal.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Comrades, it has been moved and seconded that we accept this and print it in the journal. All in favor of that say "Aye." Contrary, "No." The ayes have it.

Report of the Committee on the Death of National Patriotic Instructor Asa O. Gere. The chairman of the committee is Dr. John H. Stone of Indiana.

Secretary FLOOD. Did you prepare a resolution on the national patriotic instructor, Comrade Gere?

Comrade JOHN H. STONE of Indiana. I didn't understand I was asked to, so I did nothing.

Secretary FLOOD. Well, you might ask permission to have them prepared and inserted in the journal. I will see that it is done.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Will you give us that permission, comrades, for them to prepare it and put it in the journal? Are you in favor of that, comrades? All in favor say "Aye." Contrary, "No." It is carried. (See p. 234.)

Report of the committee on resolutions on the death of Past Commander in Chief Overton H. Mennet.

Secretary FLOOD. The chairman of the committee is Colonel Martin. He said the resolutions would arrive. So you might follow the same procedure.

Commander in Chief NIXON. We will follow the same procedure on that—have them prepared and printed in the journal. All in favor of that signify it by saying "Aye." Contrary, "No." The ayes have it. (See p. 235.)

Secretary FLOOD. Resolutions on the death of Past Commander in Chief Ruhe. Comrade Rownd is chairman.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. Commander in Chief, that will be prepared and sent in, and will be a part of the journal. (See p. 236.)

Secretary FLOOD. Commander in Chief, there are two items of business left—the report of the committee on resolutions and your election of officers. It looks to me as if you could get through by noontime. Would you like a 10-minute recess before the report of the committee on resolutions and your election? Would the comrades like to be at ease for 10 minutes?

Comrade A. W. GABRIO of Pennsylvania. I move we recess for 10 minutes.

Commander in Chief NIXON. All in favor of that signify it by saying "Aye." Contrary, "No." The ayes have it.

(Recess, 10:42 to 11:02 a. m.)

Secretary FLOOD. Your next order of business is the report of the committee on the address of the commander in chief.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. It is my pleasure and very great honor to state that the committee selected to report on the address of the commander in chief read it carefully. It is intelligent and comprehensive and says everything that anybody could say with all the resources that he may have. It is one of the finest reports that I have ever read, and we most cheerfully and heartily endorse the report. That is what we have to submit.

Commander in Chief NIXON. You have heard the report of the chairman of the committee. What is your pleasure? Comrade Ambrose, will you take the chair?



Senior Vice Commander in Chief THOMAS AMBROSE (assuming the chair). Comrades, you have heard the report of the committee on the annual report of our commander in chief. What is your pleasure?

Comrade ALBERT E. GAGE of Illinois. I move the acceptance of the commander in chief's report, with this proviso, that it be published in the regular form that has heretofore been used. [Motion seconded.]

Senior Vice Commander in Chief AMBROSE. Comrades, it has been moved and seconded that the report of the commander be accepted and approved, and it will naturally follow that it will be published in our report of the annual proceedings. The motion has been seconded. Any discussion? Any remarks? If not, all in favor of the motion will signify it by saying "Aye." Contrary minded, "No." It is carried unanimously. You may now resume command.

Commander in Chief NIXON (resuming the chair). Comrades, I thank you.

Secretary FLOOD. Commander in Chief, two communications were read by the lieutenant governor Monday evening at the semiofficial meeting, and it seems to me they should be made a part of this encampment. They were greetings from the President and General Hines. [Reading:]

THE WHITE HOUSE,  
Washington, August 29, 1941.

WILLIAM W. NIXON, Esq.,  
*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic,*  
*Columbus, Ohio.*

MY DEAR COMMANDER NIXON: I wish to extend to you my most cordial greetings, on this occasion of your diamond jubilee encampment. I include in this, of course, the noble women of your auxiliary, the National Woman's Relief Corps.

I think that all good Americans would now agree that the perils of our present international situation would be vastly graver, were the North and the South now divided into two separate nations—which they might well have been—but for your vision and accomplishment.

Therefore, the national unity which you won for all of us—North, South, East, and West—stands now as our greatest national achievement and national bulwark, since the War for Independence. Our gratitude for this patriotic action cannot be measured—as we salute the survivors of those who preserved our Federal Union.

It is my hope that this may be a most successful encampment and that you may enjoy many more of them.

Very sincerely yours,

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

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GREETINGS TO THE DIAMOND JUBILEE ENCAMPMENT OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC FROM BRIG. GEN. FRANK T. HINES, ADMINISTRATOR OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS

As I send this personal message of greeting on the occasion of your seventy-fifth national encampment, my mind goes back to the days of 1898, when I entered the military service during the Spanish American War.

At that time there were nearly three-quarters of a million Union veterans on the pension rolls, and the Grand Army of the Republic was a great patriotic influence for good in our affairs.

That mighty Army has now been so reduced that today there are approximately only 1,500 Civil War veterans on the pension rolls. This is a proportionate reduction of about 500 to 1, from the time of my Spanish War enlistment.

This shrinking of numbers is further emphasized by the fact that this year for the first time no Civil War veteran is receiving domiciliary care in any of



our homes. Surviving members of the homes last year were transferred to hospitals at our facilities.

The reason for this transfer from domiciliary to hospital status was to make certain that the Civil War veterans may receive the best possible medical care we are enabled to provide for anyone. It is our feeling that the best is none too good for the heroes who saved the Union.

The great majority of your veterans who are now on the rolls are receiving the maximum pension of \$100 a month, which is the highest rate paid under the service pension laws. All of us, I am sure, wish to see that the Boys in Blue are adequately provided for.

I deeply regret my inability to be with you personally this year, and thank you most sincerely for inviting me.

My best wishes go with each and every one of you—whether at the encampment or in your homes—and I hope that those who are attending have a thoroughly enjoyable reunion.

Please give my most sincere regards to the members of your splendid Woman's Relief Corps.

FRANK T. HINES,  
*Administrator of Veterans' Affairs.*

SEPTEMBER 15, 1941.

Commander, if there is no objection I will acknowledge these greetings in your name.

Commander in Chief NIXON. We will ask your consent to have her acknowledge these greetings, if there is no objection.

Comrade THOMAS H. STRITCH, of New York. If it is necessary to make a motion that our secretary, Miss Flood, do that, I would make the motion, but I don't think it is necessary.

Comrade A. W. GABRIO, of Pennsylvania. I second that motion, Commander in Chief.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. Comrades, I am going to talk from the heart. Each one of you I love. For 68 consecutive years I have been identified with the Grand Army of the Republic, and I hope it will be my pleasure to meet each one of the comrades who hear my voice this morning at our next encampment. I hope during the time that you have fellowship in the spirit of brotherhood while we are absent. Let's pray for each other and think of each other, and do everything we can to promote the interest not only of our organization but these men that I love and have loved for 68 years. And think of it—2,673,212 have passed to their graves. We are just a remnant, but we are going to be a happy remnant.

I have something else to say. We have one of the best secretaries. I am talking now from the heart, and with enthusiasm. We have one of the best secretaries this organization has ever had, and we have a secretary that each one of us is deeply interested in the welfare of. We have a secretary that has ability, is efficient, and one of the finest we could possibly select if we wanted to select anybody. And I therefore move that she be reelected for another year. [Motion seconded.]

Judge Advocate General T. J. NOLL. It gives me great pleasure to second that motion.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Are there any more remarks?

Comrade ALBERT E. GAGE, of Illinois. Commander in Chief and comrades: You have just heard the motion. But before that motion is put I want you to know that if it had not been for the daughter of our commander in chief as an assistant to his duties that he would not have been as efficient as he has been. Therefore it is not possible to move that we continue her services, but it is possible for us to give her a vote of thanks for her service to our comrades.

Commander in Chief NIXON. That would be a separate motion. The question is on the election of Katharine Flood. All in favor of electing her for another year—that is the way I understand it——

Past Commander in Chief A. T. ANDERSON. I would like to have an amendment to that motion that we elect her for life.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief THOMAS AMBROSE. You cannot do it. Unconstitutional.

Commander in Chief NIXON. I think we cannot do anything but elect her for 1 year.

Comrade LEWIS H. EASTERLY, of Colorado and Wyoming. That is the law.

Commander in Chief NIXON. All in favor of that say "Aye." Contrary? [Carried.] I am glad to say you are elected unanimously.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. Congratulations.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief AMBROSE. I don't see why you should congratulate Miss Flood. I think we should congratulate the Grand Army of the Republic. That should be the Grand Army of the Republic.

Comrade GAGE. It seems to me that you do not understand it is our duty to appreciate any services rendered the Grand Army of the Republic. Therefore, I move that the daughter of our commander in chief be given a vote of thanks for her services. [Motion seconded.]

Senior Vice Commander in Chief AMBROSE (in the chair). Comrades, you have heard the motion made by Comrade Gage that the daughter of the commander in chief have our thanks for the care and attention she has bestowed upon our commander in chief which has resulted in his apparent complete recovery. Any remarks? All in favor of the motion will signify it by holding up both hands and saying "aye." We will not call for the contrary-minded. There is no one here mean enough.

(The commander in chief resumed the chair.)

Secretary FLOOD. Now, Commander in Chief, you have the report of the committee on resolutions. Do you want me to read that report, Comrade Noll?

Judge Advocate General T. J. NOLL. Please; yes.

Secretary FLOOD (reading):

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

The committee on resolutions at the meeting held at 8 o'clock this morning—

Mr. Elliott met with them and has transcribed this report—

endorsed the widows' pension bill (H. R. 1091) which has passed the House and been recommended for passage by the Senate committee; and—

I think we will read all of these resolutions, as customary, and then if there are no objections, they will be adopted at the end of the report. Is that all right?

Voted disapproval of H. R. 22, a bill for the renaming of national cemeteries as historical parks.

Endorsed a resolution presented by Past Commander in Chief A. T. Anderson that the Grand Army of the Republic resents future increases in taxes and favors the reduction of Government expenditures in Washington.

Directed the secretary to prepare and insert in the Journal an appropriate resolution of thanks to those cooperating in making the encampment a success.

T. J. NOLL, *Chairman.*



Following is the resolution of thanks referred to in the report of the committee :

Whereas the Grand Army of the Republic is again meeting in Columbus, Ohio, in its seventy-fifth session, be it

*Resolved*, That we express our thanks and appreciation to Gov. John W. Bricker and the officials of the State of Ohio; to Hon. Floyd F. Green, mayor, and citizens of Columbus for their wonderful hospitality; to Hon. John M. Vorys and Hon. Randolph W. Walton; to all veterans' organizations; to the members of civic and fraternal organizations; to the military forces of the Nation and State; to the police of the State and city; to Mount Vernon, Ohio, Lodge No. 140, B. P. O. E., for the pocket knives presented each comrade; to Mr. J. A. Landon for the Lincoln gavel presented to the encampment; to the Boy Scouts for their participation in our entertainment; to the newspapers for the generous publicity given to encampment activities; to the management and personnel of the Hotel Deshler-Wallick; and be it further

*Resolved*, That we acknowledge gratefully the messages of greeting received from President Franklin D. Roosevelt and Gen. Frank T. Hines; and be it further

*Resolved*, That we tender our thanks to the President of the United States and to the Members of Congress for allowing the Marine Band to attend and contribute to our entertainment; and be it further

*Resolved*, That we again acknowledge our indebtedness to Capt. William F. Santelmann and the members of the United States Marine Band for their splendid music contributed so willingly on all occasions; and be it further

*Resolved*, That we express our deep gratitude to Lt. Gov. Paul M. Herbert, chairman, and Mr. Joseph E. Cross, secretary, national encampment committee, and all of their associates for their splendid entertainment and attention to the needs of the comrades.

Secretary FLOOD. Those were the resolutions adopted.

Comrade A. W. GABRIO, of Pennsylvania. Commander, I move those resolutions be adopted as read.

Comrade LEWIS H. EASTERLY, of Colorado and Wyoming. I second that motion, and I ask for the secretary to read the provisions of that pension bill. We would like to hear what the provisions were.

Judge Advocate General NOLL. As chairman of the resolutions, I could not say anything else.

Secretary FLOOD. The bill provides that all widows who have lived with their soldier husbands and are not now receiving a pension—who have lived with their soldier husbands for 10 years—be granted a pension. The bill has passed the House. A week ago yesterday it was reported out favorably by the Senate committee and will be brought before the Senate at the first opportunity. I hope to get back to Washington before it is brought before the Senate, that I may be able to reach one or two of the Senate who might possibly try to block the passage.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Are there any remarks, comrades, on the motion?

Comrade EASTERLY. The only remark I have is a criticism of the resolution not urging the congressman that introduced that bill to have made it not more than 5 years instead of 10. And the pension should have been at least \$40 instead of \$30. I was on a resolution for that once and we advocated that any woman that would live with an old grouchy veteran 5 years before he died was entitled to \$40 a month.

Secretary FLOOD. Commander in Chief, may I answer Comrade Easterly. I have been working on this pension bill for 10 years. I have interviewed the Congressmen and Senators; I have written them, and invariably the reply has been: "We will favor '10 years,' but we will not pass a bill for any more money at this late day, or for any less



years." We tried "5 years" during Commander in Chief Nelson's year, and I saw the letters sent to the chairman of your committee, who was then Past Commander in Chief Foster, and they told him in no uncertain terms that they would never vote for a bill providing for 5 years' marriage. Now we want to get a bill, and it is a case of taking what we can get or nothing.

Commander in Chief NIXON. That is the way it stands. We likely can get this bill for 10 years, but we could not get a bill through for 5 years.

Comrade ALBERT E. GAGE, of Illinois. Commander in Chief and comrades, I move you that we vote a commendation for the services of this legislative committee of the Grand Army of the Republic on this particular bill; that we leave it entirely in their hands and forget that there is any show for us different.

Commander in Chief NIXON. There is a motion before the house to accept that report. All in favor of the report, comrades, say "Aye." Contrary, "No." It is unanimous.

Secretary FLOOD. Do you want to make that now?

Comrade GAGE. I renew that motion. I forgot the resolutions committee took a recess. I now move that the motion be reput.

Commander in Chief NIXON. All in favor of that motion say "Aye." Contrary, "No." It is carried unanimously.

Secretary FLOOD. Now, Commander in Chief, if there is no other business, you are ready for the election of officers.

Comrade LEWIS H. EASTERLY, of Colorado and Wyoming. I move that we proceed to the election of officers.

Commander in Chief NIXON. All in favor say "Aye." Contrary, "No."

Secretary FLOOD. I think we should call the roll. Commander in Chief, I would suggest that those making nominations, on all officers, come to the platform. This is for nominations.

(The roll of departments was then called by the secretary for nominations for the office of commander in chief, and the following proceedings had:)

Comrade HIRAM SHUMATE, of Illinois. Comrades, I shall be very brief in my remarks. I wish to place in nomination Comrade Thomas Ambrose, commander of Post No. 5, of Chicago, Ill., for commander in chief for the coming year. Endorsed by the Department of Illinois. I thank you.

Comrade SAMUEL SNOW, of Massachusetts. Commander in Chief, I nominate George A. Gay, of Massachusetts—the right man in the right place.

Secretary FLOOD. The commander is going to allow about 2 minutes for the assistant adjutant general or the commander to poll his vote so as to answer the roll call.

Comrade CHARLES WINGROVE, of Kansas. I want to represent West Virginia. I belonged to Virginia when they seceded from the Union.

Commander in Chief NIXON. I will have to say you are out of order.

Comrade WINGROVE. Well, we will get in order. We in West Virginia voted against it. My grandfather on my father's side, on my side, on my mother's side——

Commander in Chief NIXON. You are out of order. Go to your seat.

Comrade WINGROVE. I represent West Virginia, from West Virginia. I am going to nominate myself for commander in chief. You can do just as you please.

Secretary FLOOD. The comrade who has just spoken, comrades, lives in the Department of Kansas and belongs to the Grand Army there, but he served from West Virginia. He would like to have you elect him commander in chief. He is nominating himself.

Comrade Thomas Ambrose of Illinois and George Gay of Massachusetts are the two candidates for commander in chief.

Comrade LEWIS H. EASTERLY, of Colorado and Wyoming. What process are you going to adopt for voting?

Secretary FLOOD. Comrade Easterly, it is the custom of the national encampment for the roll to be called and the department commander or the assistant adjutant general will report the vote of his department. And only those present who are entitled to a vote shall be counted. You do not vote any delegates if they are not here.

(The roll of departments was called by the secretary and the vote announced as follows:)

Department	Ambrose	Gay	Department	Ambrose	Gay
California and Nevada		7	Nebraska		1
Colorado and Wyoming		3	New Hampshire		2
Connecticut		2	New Jersey		1
Idaho		1	New York		3
Illinois	5		Ohio		7
Indiana		4	Oklahoma	1	
Iowa		2	Oregon		1
Kansas		3	Pennsylvania		2
Maine		4	Texas		1
Massachusetts		5	Utah		1
Michigan		3	Vermont		1
Minnesota	3		Washington and Alaska		2
Missouri		4	Wisconsin		6

Secretary FLOOD. Sixty-six for Gay, and 9 for Ambrose.

Commander in Chief NIXON. According to the vote Comrade Gay is elected our commander for the coming year.

Secretary FLOOD. Nominations are in order for senior vice commander. Shall we call the roll for such nominations?

Commander in Chief NIXON. We are supposed to let Ohio have the senior vice.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. Commander in Chief, in view of the custom that has prevailed since the organization of the Grand Army of the Republic—it has been the courtesy to select the man recommended by the State or city in which the encampment is held, and it is a very great pleasure for me at this time to present the name of Comrade Thomas Ridenour, of Ohio, who has received the unanimous recommendation of the department of the State of Ohio.

Comrade JOHN R. BENNETT, of Ohio. I second the nomination of Comrade Ridenour.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Somebody make a motion.

Comrade ALBERT E. GAGE, of Illinois. I move that the senior vice commander be elected by acclamation.



Commander in Chief NIXON. Any remarks? [Calls for the question.] All in favor say "Aye." Contrary, "No." It is unanimous. I declare him elected for the ensuing year.

Now we will have nominations for junior vice commander in chief.

Secretary FLOOD. Nobody is nominated. We will have to call the roll for nominations. [Calling roll.]

Comrade ELISHA AMES, of California and Nevada. I put in nomination Comrade Dumser.

Commander in Chief NIXON. It seems that we have but one nominee, Comrade J. S. Dumser, of California. He is the only candidate that is being presented.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I move that the rules be suspended and that we elect Comrade Dumser by acclamation. [Motion seconded.]

Commander in Chief NIXON. All in favor of that say "Aye." Contrary, "No." The ayes have it unanimously.

Secretary FLOOD. The next office is that of surgeon general.

Comrade JOHN SHEARER, of Texas. I nominate Comrade Cowan.

Comrade EDWARD H. COWAN, of Indiana. If there is any other candidate I will quit.

Comrade J. S. DUMSER, of California and Nevada. Comrade commander and comrades, I thank you.

(The roll of departments was then called by the secretary for nominations for surgeon general.)

Comrade ISAAC W. SHARP, of Indiana. I put in nomination John H. Stone as a nominee for surgeon general, Dr. Stone.

Secretary FLOOD. Comrade Shearer, the department of Indiana nominated Dr. Stone. You nominated Dr. Cowan. Are you a candidate, Dr. Cowan? You just said if there was any other candidate you would not run.

The department of Indiana nominated Dr. John H. Stone. Comrade Shearer of Texas nominates Dr. Cowan, also from Indiana. Two candidates, both from Indiana, Dr. John H. Stone and Dr. Cowan.

Comrade JOHN H. STONE, of Indiana. Let me withdraw my nomination in favor of Dr. Cowan.

Secretary FLOOD. Dr. Stone, department commander of Indiana, has withdrawn. There is but one candidate.

Commander in Chief NIXON. We have only got one candidate. That is Dr. Cowan, our present surgeon general.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. Is there anything to prevent us from voting for somebody else?

Secretary FLOOD. There is nothing to prevent your asking a roll call if you want it.

Comrade A. W. GABRIO, of Pennsylvania. I move that we elect him by acclamation to save time. [Motion seconded.]

Comrade GEORGE A. GAY, of Massachusetts. Just for information I would like to know if either one of these candidates——

Commander in Chief NIXON. There is only one candidate.

Comrade GAY. I understand that. All I am after is to vote for that one here that is really a doctor.

Secretary FLOOD. Yes; both of them are.

Comrade LEWIS H. EASTERLY, of Colorado and Wyoming. There is a motion to elect this man by acclamation.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Comrades, it has been moved and seconded that we elect Dr. Cowan by acclamation. All in favor say "Aye." Contrary, "No." He is unanimously elected for the ensuing year for surgeon general.

Chaplain in chief.

Comrade EASTERLY. I nominate our present chaplain in chief, J. C. Pearce, to that position. He speaks out good and plain and understands the ritual very well. I name him to continue as chaplain in chief. [Nomination seconded.]

Commander in Chief NIXON. Are there any other nominations? Have you got any others, comrades?

Comrade THOMAS H. STRITCH, of New York. I rise to make a motion that the rules be suspended and the comrade be elected by acclamation.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Comrades, there has been a motion that he be elected by acclamation. All in favor of that say "Aye." Contrary, "No." The ayes have it and he is elected unanimously.

Chaplain in Chief JOSHUA C. PEARCE. Comrades, I thank you all, and I will do all in my power to do what I can to fill my office. I thank you all.

Secretary FLOOD. Council of administration.

(The shorthand reporter then read the nominations for council of administration reported by the several departments yesterday. Following is the list, including changes later made:)

Department	Name	Address
California and Nevada	J. S. Dumser	Oakland, Calif.
Colorado and Wyoming	Lewis H. Easterly	Gunnison, Colo.
Connecticut	Truman N. Parsons	Stratford.
Idaho	Albert G. Jones	Boise.
Illinois	Milton H. Myers	Park Ridge.
Indiana	John H. Stone	Kokomo.
Iowa	Elliott P. Taylor	Newton.
Kansas	W. W. Nixon	Jewell.
Kentucky	Richard R. Graham	Madisonville.
Maine	John W. Fogler	Skowhegan.
Massachusetts	Samuel Snow	Marblehead.
Michigan	M. J. Warner	Grand Rapids.
Minnesota	C. H. Perry	Minneapolis.
Missouri	William H. Osborne	Joplin.
Nebraska	R. E. Coleman	Lincoln.
New Hampshire	Frank E. Amadon	Keene.
New Jersey	William H. McCoy	Trenton.
New York	Thomas H. Stritch	Brooklyn.
North Dakota	J. W. Carroll	Lisbon.
Oklahoma	E. H. Sawyer	Minco.
Oregon	T. A. Penland	Portland.
Pennsylvania	A. W. Gabrio	Hazelton.
Texas	John Shearer	Houston.
Utah	Ira Stormes	Salt Lake City.
Washington and Alaska	L. A. Wilcox	Retsil.
West Virginia	A. T. McMurray	Washington.
Wisconsin	A. R. Kibbe	New Richmond.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Comrades you have heard the reading of the nominations. We have to elect them. All those in favor of these comrades for members of the council of administration will



say "Aye." Contrary, "No." The ayes have it. They are elected unanimously.

Secretary FLOOD. You have two vacancies to fill in the trustees of the permanent fund. Comrade Nixon's term expired last year. A comrade should have been elected for 3 years, and it was overlooked. He appointed Comrade Anderson to serve until this encampment. There are 2 years remaining of that term. Comrade Anderson has filled it by appointment. Now, you must elect a comrade for 2 years as trustee of the permanent fund.

Comrade A. W. GABRIO of Pennsylvania. I would nominate Comrade A. T. Anderson to continue the balance of the term, 2 more years.

Secretary FLOOD. Comrade Estabrook was elected at Pittsburgh for a term of 2 years. He was elected for an unexpired term of 2 years. That term is now out, so you have a new trustee to elect for 3 years. Comrade Fogler was appointed to serve the rest of the year after Comrade Estabrook's death.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Who will we have to fill that?

Comrade GEORGE A. GAY of Massachusetts. I am somewhat in doubt. I believe that Comrade Rownd——

Secretary FLOOD. He is treasurer. He is in office. He has another year. Comrade Rownd's term has another year to run. We have a comrade to elect for 3 years, and a comrade for the remaining term—Comrade Anderson. Now, you have your vacancy for a 3-year term. Comrade Fogler was filling an unexpired term.

Commander in Chief NIXON. We would like to have a nomination.

Comrade GEORGE H. JONES of Maine. I would nominate Comrade Fogler.

Secretary FLOOD. You now have two nominations, Comrade Anderson for 1 year and Comrade Fogler for 3.

Commander in Chief NIXON. All in favor of their election signify it by saying "Aye." Contrary, "No." They are elected for the ensuing year.

Secretary FLOOD. There is no other business except installation. Comrade, who will you have to install you?

Comrade GAY. I suppose that job belongs to the commander in chief.

Secretary FLOOD. No; a past commander in chief.

Comrade GAY. This one here. [Indicating Past Commander in Chief Rownd.]

(The following officers were then duly installed by Past Commander in Chief Robert M. Rownd:)

Commander in chief, George A. Gay, Boston, Mass.

Senior vice commander in chief, Thomas Ridenour, Crestline, Ohio.

Junior vice commander in chief, J. S. Dumser, Oakland, Calif.

Surgeon general, Dr. Edward H. Cowan, Crawfordsville, Ind.

Chaplain in chief, Rev. Joshua C. Pearce, Denver, Colo.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. I therefore declare that the five officers elected at this encampment are the officers for the ensuing year. God bless you. We have assurance in advance that we will have intelligent officers to preside over the destinies of this splendid organization.

Secretary FLOOD. Commander in Chief Gay will announce his staff later. The local committee wants to know how many comrades will

go out to the stadium tonight to the Marine Band concert. [Show of hands.] Tell him about 50.

The new council of administration will meet in this room at 2:30.

Commander in Chief GAY. Comrades, just before you leave I do want to say just a word to you, because I may not meet all of you until another year. But I hope that I may. I want to say to you comrades that I thank you for the confidence that you have placed in me. I shall endeavor to keep intact the good name that this Grand Army of the Republic has always had. I shall endeavor to serve you to the best of my ability. There is one thing I do want. I want your cooperation and I want to cooperate with you, and I shall need your counsel. I thank you.

Past Commander in Chief A. T. ANDERSON. Before you adjourn I want to make a motion that we return a vote of thanks to the city of Columbus for their courtesy.

Past Commander in Chief NIXON. Comrades, there is one thing we didn't do here today. We did not vote a vote of thanks to the city of Columbus.

Secretary FLOOD. Yes; that was included in the resolutions. The secretary is to prepare it.

Commander in Chief GAY. The encampment stands adjourned.





**REPORTS OF OFFICERS  
AND OF COMMITTEES**

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THOMAS AMBROSE  
SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF





## REPORT OF SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF

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CHICAGO, ILL., *August 8, 1941.*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,

*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: Shortly after election I wrote our commander in chief offering my services in any capacity in which I could be of service to him and our organization, but have not been called into service at any time.

The Sunday preceding Memorial Day, by invitation from Dr. Preston Bradley, for the sixth consecutive year, I spoke briefly from the pulpit of the Peoples Church, Chicago.

On Memorial Day in Chicago, as grand marshal for the third consecutive year, I led the parade of some 40,000 uniformed marchers and gave a brief address from the reviewing stand, as did my guests of honor, Governor Green and Major General Bonesteele, United States Army.

July 30, as guest of honor representing the Grand Army, I addressed the Army and Navy Legion of Valor at their fifty-first annual banquet at the Congress Hotel.

Respectfully submitted in fraternity, charity, and loyalty,

THOMAS AMBROSE,  
*Senior Vice Commander in Chief.*



## REPORT OF JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF

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SEATTLE, WASH., *July 14, 1941*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,

*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: I am sending you a brief report of my activities during my term of office as junior vice commander in chief. We have not been favored with a visit from any national officer of the Grand Army, but our good and gracious national president of the Women's Relief Corps, Mrs. Hahn, visited our State, and we went to Spokane, Wash., where we attended a dinner and program in her honor. Arrangements were made for her to speak to our people over the radio, which was greatly appreciated by the people of our State.

I was called upon to preside at our Memorial Day meeting and take charge at the cemetery and lead in the parade—a very large one—and we were favored with the most beautiful weather. Flowers were placed on graves and appropriate emblems placed on the waters. A suitable boat was furnished by the Navy Department. We have had a most patriotic year—flags have been distributed to many schools and churches; one school we have put on the act twice, about 6,000 students present (the auditorium holding about 3,000). I am invited to all doings of the other orders—American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and all auxiliaries. A new corps was organized in Seattle, and I bought a flag for it which cost \$14.10 (named Rustan O. Reed Corps, No. 6). A junior corps has also been established at Vancouver, Wash., and the girls used my name, so when they are ready I will furnish what they may require to place them on the road to success.

I am pleased to say there has never been so much patriotic, fervent spirit shown in our State as at the present time. We will go, in a day or so, and present a school with a flag. One of the most pleasing things is to see the school children, small ones, receive the flag and pledge allegiance to the flag—"One nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

I do all that can be done for our widows to get them into the State home and procure a pension when opportunity presents.

Yours in fraternity, charity, and loyalty,

RUSTAN O. REED,  
*Junior Vice Commander in Chief.*



RUSTAN O. REED  
JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF





DR. EDWARD H. COWAN  
SURGEON GENERAL

## REPORT OF SURGEON GENERAL

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DALLAS, TEX., *July 14, 1941.*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,  
*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: For the past several years there has been nothing to report from my office. I returned to Indiana on May 21 to be on hand for Memorial Day. I had to omit our service at the cemetery. The soldiers of the later wars now do nearly all of the ceremonies and we must depend on them entirely.

I attended the department encampment at Muncie, Ind., beginning June 15. There were only 11 members present, and but 5 of them attended the meetings. There are only about 60 living now in the State. The Auxiliary ladies were out in full strength and saw that the "Old Boys" were not neglected and in every way added to our pleasure.

I hope to attend our encampment at Columbus, Ohio, in September. I shall go via airplane and return in the same way, stopping on the return trip for a short visit in Indiana.

Hoping to meet you in Columbus in September.

Yours in fraternity, charity, and loyalty,

EDWARD H. COWAN, M. D.,  
*Surgeon General.*

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## REPORT OF CHAPLAIN IN CHIEF

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DENVER, COLO., *July 28, 1941.*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,

*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: Our seventy-fifth national encampment is approaching and reports are due. As chaplain in chief I have received to date nine reports from departments. These have shown deep interest in the Memorial Sunday services and Memorial Day exercises, both by the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic and our Auxiliary and allied orders.

The services, with the sharing courtesies of all our Auxiliary orders and the affiliated groups of officers, have been most pleasant during the year. I have assisted in the presentation of 13 United States flags, and it has been a pleasant duty to speak before groups of young folks and impress upon their minds the opportunities they have to serve and promote peace and good will on earth. The warmth in fellowship has created sweet memories that will never be forgotten by me.

Sincerely in fraternity, charity, and loyalty,

JOSHUA C. PEARCE,  
*Chaplain in Chief.*



REV. JOSHUA C. PEARCE  
CHAPLAIN IN CHIEF





RUSSELL C. MARTIN  
ADJUTANT GENERAL

## REPORT OF ADJUTANT GENERAL

LOS ANGELES, CALIF., *July 25, 1941.*

WILLIAM W. NIXON,

*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMMANDER IN CHIEF: I herewith submit my report and at the same time return my thanks for the honor of the appointment on your official staff. It has been one of the pleasures of my life to have been associated with you and your officers in trying to advance the interests of the members of the Grand Army of the Republic. Although the ravages of time have made such inroads in our membership that many are confined to their homes, still the fire of patriotism burns in their hearts as fresh as in 1861 to 1865.

Following is a summary of gains and losses during the year 1940:

	Members	Posts
In good standing, Dec. 31, 1939.....	1, 078	476
Gains by muster, transfer, and reinstatement.....	50	4
Total.....	1, 128	480
Loss by death.....	348	-----
Loss by all other causes.....	17	-----
Total loss.....	365	138
In good standing, Dec. 31, 1940.....	763	342

The loss by death seems to keep the same ratio each year. This year, however, the loss from causes other than death was very small, only 17, whereas last year it was 196. This apparently indicates a greater desire on the part of the comrades to retain their membership in our order. Our secretary secured from the Veterans' Administration this winter a complete list of all Civil War veterans drawing a pension and has been making copies of this list for the various departments. Of those who have received the list, one department reports having gained 16 members; one department with 2 members gained 6; one 5, and one department with only 2 members gained 2. It is to be hoped that our report of December 31, 1941, will show a decided gain in membership. We had December 31, 1940, 36 departments in good standing, 342 posts and a membership of 763, of which 3 were national members at large.

Last year Rhode Island was reported delinquent, but through the efforts of John F. Sheern, of the Sons of Union Veterans, who had been appointed department secretary by Department Commander Hopkins, reports and per capita tax were received for 1939 and 1940. In April the department commander died, leaving but one comrade.

Through Department Secretary Sheern, two former comrades were reinstated, and Edward F. Gillett, formerly of the Department of Oregon, was elected department commander.

*Consolidated report of posts and membership of the Grand Army of the Republic, showing gains and losses for the year ending Dec. 31, 1940*

Departments	Dec. 31, 1939		Dec. 31, 1940		Posts		Members	
	Posts	Members	Posts	Members	Gain	Loss	Gain	Loss
Alabama	2	2				2		2
Arkansas	1	2	1	2				
California and Nevada	32	137	25	86		7	4	55
Colorado and Wyoming	3	10	3	9				1
Connecticut	11	21	5	10		6		11
Delaware	4	15	4	9			1	7
Florida	4	20	3	10		1		10
Idaho	3	5	1	3		2		2
Illinois	56	89	34	62		22		27
Indiana	30	48	27	41	4	7	13	20
Iowa	10	102	4	71		6	5	36
Kansas	15	22	12	15		3		7
Kentucky	3	3	2	2		1		1
Maine	22	50	22	37				13
Maryland	1	3	(1)	(1)		1		3
Massachusetts	38	60	29	40		9		20
Michigan	26	42	21	35		5	1	8
Minnesota	19	35	15	24		4	1	12
Missouri	9	24	8	22		1	2	4
Montana	3	3				3		3
Nebraska	18	42	10	27		8		15
New Hampshire	4	6	3	4		1		2
New Jersey	5	17	3	10		2		7
New York	48	108	34	85		14		23
North Dakota	2	2	2	2				
Ohio	35	59	30	44		5	1	16
Oklahoma	1	13	1	27			20	6
Oregon	5	11	2	6		3		5
Pennsylvania	15	35	4	7		11		28
Potomac	1	4	1	2				2
Rhode Island	1	3	1	2				1
South Dakota	2	5	(1)	(1)		2		5
Texas	1	5	1	5				
Utah	1	1	1	1				
Vermont	1	3	1	3				
Virginia and North Carolina	1	2	1	2				
Washington and Alaska	15	30	13	26		2		4
West Virginia	4	7	2	5		2		2
Wisconsin	24	27	16	24		8	2	5
Members at large		5		3				2
Aggregate	476	1, 078	342	763	4	138	50	365
Net loss						134		315

<sup>1</sup> No report.

Two departments have failed to send reports and per capita tax this year, Maryland and South Dakota. The department secretary of South Dakota in January sent me the report showing four mem-



bers, but enclosed no per capita tax. A letter accompanying the report announced the death of Department Commander Van Voorhis with the statement, "Thus ends the Department of South Dakota." Secretary Flood immediately wrote urging that the members, if unwilling to retain the department, should become members at large. To that letter, and others written since, no reply has been received. In December the last member of the Department of Alabama died, and in May the last member of the Department of Virginia and North Carolina, Charles Grandy, who was a constant attendant at national encampments, was mustered out. In April Comrade John M. Kline, commander of the Department of the Potomac, wrote the commander in chief that because of ill health he and Assistant Adjutant General William F. Dorsey felt they could no longer carry on the department duties and wished to surrender the charter and become members at large. Commander in Chief Nixon immediately wrote, urging that since they had a good secretary they should continue as a department. Comrade Kline consented, but in July again wrote that he must surrender the department and we had no choice but to accept his decision.

Since 1919 I have been serving my comrades in whatever office or position I have been asked to occupy. Those who have worked together as comrades in their posts and in the service of their country have a fellow feeling that those not so situated can realize. This year the Grand Army of the Republic celebrates its diamond jubilee—75 years of honorable existence as an organization—and may harmony and unity govern all our deliberations.

As the Seventy-fourth National Encampment delegated to the executive committee the designation of an encampment city in 1941, I met with the Commander in Chief and Comrade Gay in Chicago, February 13, 14, and 15, and Columbus, Ohio, was selected as the meeting place of the next encampment.

I have given all my strength in the work we are engaged in. It lies so near my heart that I cannot resist adding a word of advice before stepping down from office to take my place in the ranks. Dear comrades, as long as one member remains in your post, do not give up the post charter. We have laid the service of loyal hearts upon the altar of our country. With one voice let us join in our prayer until time shall be lost in eternity:

Over us one flag shall float,  
One song ascend from every throat;  
That flag, the banner of the free,  
That song, the song of liberty.

I extend my thanks for help extended by all members of the staff, and our national secretary, Miss Katharine R. A. Flood, who has carried the burdens of the Grand Army of the Republic. No words of mine can express my gratitude for, and appreciation of, the affection and kindness she has shown our comrades.

Sincerely in F., C., and L.,

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,  
*Adjutant General.*

## REPORT OF QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

LANSING, MICH., *August 11, 1941.*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,

*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE: Following the death of Quartermaster General Estabrook, I was appointed by Commander in Chief Nixon to fill the office for the remainder of the term. The work with Comrade Estabrook had been begun with our Department Secretary Leah M. Simpson as secretary. Being assured that Miss Simpson would be retained as my secretary, I accepted the appointment, determined to do all required of me and I have signed all vouchers.

The financial part and details of this report have been prepared from the books kept by Miss Simpson in department headquarters. All requisitions have been promptly filled and all receipts mailed. To Miss Simpson I am, indeed, grateful.

With real appreciation of the honor given me,

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.,

J. A. HAMILTON,  
*Quartermaster General.*

### SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

*Transcript of books Aug. 10, 1940, to Sept. 12, 1940*

Cash balance in all funds as reported to Seventy-fourth National Encampment-----		\$2, 605. 19
General fund-----	\$927. 67	
Southern memorial fund-----	1, 677. 52	
Subsequent receipts:		
Woman's Relief Corps-----	1, 000. 00	
Ladies of the G. A. R.-----	1, 000. 00	
Daughters of Union Veterans-----	1, 000. 00	
Sons of Union Veterans-----	200. 00	
Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans-----	500. 00	
Southern memorial (refund)-----	65. 76	
Supplies-----	8. 25	
Per capita tax-----	37. 00	
		3, 811. 01
Total-----		6, 416. 20
DISBURSEMENTS		
Travel-----	\$215. 52	
Salaries-----	135. 00	
Expenses-----	495. 50	
		846. 02
Balance-----		5, 570. 18
To be credited as follows:		
General fund-----	\$3, 826. 90	
Southern memorial-----	1, 743. 28	
Total-----		5, 570. 18



J. A. HAMILTON  
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL





*Statement of disbursements, Aug. 10-Sept. 12, 1940*

Date	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose	Travel	Salaries	Expense
Aug. 29	62	Williamson Printing Co.: 500 General Orders No. 6, \$33; postage and mailing, \$5.90-----			\$38. 90
Sept. 3	63	Virginia Moxley, stenographic services-----		\$60. 00	-----
Sept. 3	64	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Salary to; Sept. 15----- Office expense Aug. 5 to Sept. 5—postage, \$11.26; supplies, \$4.70; janitor, \$2; transfer trunks and flags, \$2; silk flag, \$0.50-----		75. 00	-----
Sept. 5	65	A. T. Anderson, commander in chief, travel expense-----	\$200. 00		-----
	66	Abraham Lincoln Hotel: Postage on badges, rolls, reports, \$10.33; porter, \$0.75; tips for hotel service, \$20; telegrams, \$0.97-----			32. 05
	67	Williamson Printing Co.: 250 encampment rolls, \$150; 250 officers' reports, \$114; 500 General Orders No. 7, \$13.75-----			277. 75
	68	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Paid for national encampment expenses, Jessie Anson, \$15; Cora E. Gillis, \$15; Virginia Moxley, \$15; postage, express, and telegrams, \$7.30; hotel, labor for closing, \$31.70----- Jannsen Floral Co., wreath for Quartermaster M. H. Davidson, \$10; tax and telegram, \$1; wreath and tax for Lincoln Tomb, \$10.30-----			84. 00
	69	Clara F. Hoover, express on quartermaster general's books from Springfield, \$1.60; postage, \$4.50; packing and taxis, \$1; paid Thomas Ambrose, adjutant general, expense to Springfield and return, \$15.52-----	15. 52		7. 10
	70	Illinois Bell Telephone Co.: September service, \$5.18; telegrams, August, \$1.57; September, \$5.14----- Bank exchange, August, \$0.55; September, \$1.50-----			11. 89
					2. 05
		Total-----	215. 52	135. 00	495. 50

## ACCOUNT CURRENT

## DEBIT

Cash received for term ending Sept. 12, 1940:

Balances in all funds as shown in the supplemental  
report dated Sept. 12, 1940:

General fund	-----	\$3, 826. 90	
Southern memorial fund	-----	1, 743. 28	
			<u>\$5, 570. 18</u>

Subsequent receipts:

Sale of supplies	-----	15. 48	
Per capita tax	-----	764. 00	
Permanent fund	-----	1, 000. 00	
Sale of furniture	-----	60. 00	
			<u>1, 839. 48</u>

7, 409. 66

## CREDIT

Cash paid out for term ending Aug. 11, 1941:

Travel	-----	\$1, 416. 57	
Salaries	-----	2, 000. 00	
Expense	-----	1, 308. 30	
Southern memorial	-----	1, 000. 00	
			<u>5, 724. 87</u>

Total in all funds Aug. 11, 1941	-----		<u>1, 684. 79</u>
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To be credited as follows:

General fund	-----	\$941. 51	
Southern memorial fund	-----	743. 28	
			<u>1, 684. 79</u>



*Statement of total receipts, sale of supplies, per capita tax, southern memorial fund, etc., for term ending Aug. 11, 1941*

Departments	Supplies	Per capita tax	General fund	Southern memorial
Arkansas.....		\$2		
California and Nevada.....	\$1. 00	86		
Colorado and Wyoming.....		9		
Connecticut.....		10		
Delaware.....		9		
Florida.....		10		
Idaho.....		2		
Illinois.....	9. 20	62		
Indiana.....	1. 00	41		
Iowa.....		71		
Kansas.....		15		
Kentucky.....		2		
Maine.....	. 90	37		
Massachusetts.....		40		
Michigan.....	. 95	35		
Minnesota.....	1. 00	24		
Missouri.....	1. 43	23		
Maryland.....				
Nebraska.....		27		
New Hampshire.....		4		
New Jersey.....		10		
New York.....		85		
North Dakota.....		2		
Ohio.....		44		
Oklahoma.....		27		
Oregon.....		6		
Pennsylvania.....		7		
Potomac.....		2		
Rhode Island.....		6		
South Dakota.....		1		
Texas.....		5		
Utah.....		1		
Vermont.....		3		
Virginia and North Carolina.....		2		
Washington and Alaska.....		30		
West Virginia.....		5		
Wisconsin.....		16		
Permanent fund.....			\$1, 000	
Comrades-at-large.....		3		
Total.....	15. 48	764	1, 000	

Statement of disbursements for term ending Aug. 11, 1941

Date	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose	Supplies	Travel	Salaries	Expense	Southern memorial
1940 Sept. 23	1	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Salary Sept. 15 to 30-----	-----	-----	\$75	-----	-----
	2	Moving office from Springfield----- Atchison, Topeka, & Sante Fe Ry.: Freight on office records and supplies, Springfield to Topeka, Kans-----	-----	\$75. 00	-----	-----	-----
Oct. 21	3	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Salary for October----- Trucks, straps, postage, moving to Topeka, Kans----- Railroad fares, hotels, Chicago, Springfield, St. Louis, and meals, postage, telegrams; balance due-----	-----	-----	150	\$27. 70	-----
26	4	Gordon L. Elliott: Reporting proceedings of Seventy-fourth National Encampment \$200; fare, Des Moines to Spring- field, \$14.75; express on manuscript, \$0.40-----	-----	107. 41	-----	-----	-----
Nov. 6	5	W. W. Nixon, commander in chief: Advance traveling ex- pense-----	-----	-----	-----	215. 15	-----
7	6	Voiland Printing Co.: 500 letterheads imprinted, \$3.85; 200 G. O. No. 1, \$3.25; 500 6½ envelopes, \$3.05; 500 No. 10 envelopes, \$3.75; 500 No. 12 envelopes, \$4.90; 500 catalog envelopes, \$5.50; tax, \$0.49-----	-----	100. 00	-----	-----	-----
7	7	Clara F. Hoover: Packing and shipping supplies with service of 2 men-----	-----	-----	-----	24. 79	-----
20	9	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Salary for November----- Office expenses: Postage, telegrams, express, \$20.80; extra stenographer, \$10-----	-----	-----	150	10. 00	-----
22	10	A. C. Estabrook, quartermaster general: Trip to Jewell, Kans----- Expenses from appointment to Nov. 14: Postage on free blanks, \$10; typewriter repairs, \$5; moving supplies and unpacking, \$1.15; No. 10 envelopes, \$3.25; express on stationery and supplies from Chicago and opening	-----	10. 00	-----	30. 80	-----

22	11	headquarters, \$17.40; express on stationery to Topeka, \$1.01				37. 81	----
		Underwood Elliott Fisher Co.: Packing typewriter for shipment Springfield, Ill., to Topeka, Kans., \$3; repairing and shipping from Springfield, \$1.65; and adjusting in Topeka, \$7.50				12. 15	----
Dec. 2	12	Southern Bell Telephone Co.: Telephone service Oct. 22 to Nov. 16, \$5.12; tax, \$0.10; advance payment, \$6.40; tax, \$0.13; connection charge, \$2.50				14. 25	----
	13	Voiland Printing Co.: 300 voucher checks, \$6.75; 600 gummed labels, \$3.80; 1,600 letterheads, imprinted, \$6.40; 1,000 countersign cards, \$4.50; parcel post on stationery, \$2.32; tax, \$0.43				24. 20	----
10	14	Russell C. Martin, adjutant general: Salary, postage, and telegrams				5. 00	----
	15	A. C. Estabrook, quartermaster general: Salary and expense			25	5. 00	----
14	16	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary:			25		----
		Salary for December			150		----
		Office expense: Janitor, \$5; postage, \$11.30; telegrams and supplies, \$5.04; extra stenographer, \$8				29. 34	----
30	17	Southern Bell Telephone Co.: Telephone service Dec. 12-Jan. 12, \$6.40; tax, \$0.13				6. 53	----
1941 Jan. 3	18	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Advance traveling expense to Washington, D. C., legislation		200. 00			----
	19	W. W. Nixon, commander in chief: Traveling expense advance		300. 00			----
16	20	Voiland Printing Co.: 2,000 General Orders No. 2, \$28; packing, postage, and tax, \$5.76				33. 76	----
	21	The Stewart & Steen Co.: 5,000 stock and engraved letterheads, G. A. R.				50. 00	----
20	22	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary:					----
		Salary for January			150		----
		Office expense: postage and telegrams, \$13.28; express, \$1.10; janitor, \$3; taxi, \$1.05; trucking company, moving from Capitol to Memorial Hall, \$5.15; stenographer, \$25				48. 58	----
27	23	J. M. Winters & Sons: Premium on quartermaster general's bond				12. 50	----
	24	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Editing Journal of National Encampment				100. 00	----



Statement of disbursements for term ending Aug. 11, 1941—Continued

Date	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose	Supplies	Travel	Salaries	Expense	Southern memorial
1941 Feb. 17	25	Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.: Moving telephone from State Capitol to Memorial Hall, \$2.50; cord, \$1.50; service Jan. 16 to Feb. 16, \$6.50; tax, \$0.13; service Feb. 16 to Mar. 16, \$6.50; tax, \$0.13				\$17.06	
17	26	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Salary for February Postage, \$3.76; telegrams, \$8.21; express, \$2.79; flowers for senior Vice Commander in Chief Ambrose, \$3.09			\$150		
18	27	George A. Gay: Expense attending executive committee meeting Chicago, Feb. 13 to 16; Nashua, N. H., to Chicago, Columbus and return, \$67.10; Pullman, \$13.85; Hotel Sherman, room, \$10; meals, tips, taxi en route, \$16.84		\$107.79		17.85	
	28	Russell C. Martin, adjutant general: Expense attending executive committee meeting; Pullman fares Los Angeles to Chicago and return, \$29.05; room and meals, Hotel Sherman, \$17.32; railroad and Pullman fares Chicago to Columbus, Ohio, and return, \$19.35; meals and tips en route, \$16; telegrams, \$3.46; wreath for funeral Past Commander in Chief Mennet, \$10		\$1.72		13.46	
	29	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Expenses east for national headquarters, Jan. 21 to Feb. 20, \$278.22. Received in voucher No. 18 advance \$200; balance \$78.22		78.22			
	30	Office expense: Flowers for commander in chief's birthday, \$6.92; telegrams in connection with deaths of Past Commander in Chief Mennet and Quartermaster General A. C. Estabrook, \$9.27; typing of pensions list, \$10.75; express, \$1.75; postage, \$3.52 Leah M. Simpson, secretary to quartermaster general: Railroad fare to Chicago, \$8; Hotel Sherman expense, \$7.25; taxis, \$1; office expense, express on supplies, \$2.40; telegrams, \$1.69; wreath for funeral of Quartermaster General Estabrook, \$10				32.21	
				16.25		14.09	

Mar. 20

31

Thacher, Inc.: Typewriter desk, \$42; chair and pad, \$10.40; tax, \$1.05

53. 45

Mar. 20

32

Russell C. Martin, adjutant general: Salary for January, February, and March

25

Mar. 20

33

J. A. Hamilton, quartermaster general: Salary for January, February, and March

25

Mar. 20

34

Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary:  
Salary for March

150

Apr. 7

20

Office expense: Extra stenographer, \$25; janitor, \$2; postage, \$5.50; telegrams, \$2.24

34. 74

Apr. 7

36

Crane & Co.: Office supplies and tax

8. 57

Apr. 15

15

Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.: Service Mar. 16 to Apr. 16, \$6.40; L. D. to Jewell, \$0.92; tax, \$0.13  
John Stamm, florist: Wreath for funeral of National Patriotic Instructor A. O. Gere, \$10; tax, \$0.20  
Jeffersons, Inc.: 1 ream Mutual bond paper, \$2.05; 1 ream Mutual onion skin, \$2.05

7. 45

Apr. 19

19

Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary:  
Salary for April

10. 20

Apr. 29

29

Office expense, postage, telegrams, express, telephones to Jewell, extra stenographer, and janitor  
Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.: Service Apr. 16 to May 16, \$6.40; tax, \$0.13; toll to Jewell (Nixon), \$0.80; United States tax, \$0.10; State sales tax, \$0.02  
Zola Miller Donohoe: Appropriation for Southern memorial fund

4. 10

May 8

8

Office expense, postage, telegrams, express, telephones to Jewell, extra stenographer, and janitor  
Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.: Service Apr. 16 to May 16, \$6.40; tax, \$0.13; toll to Jewell (Nixon), \$0.80; United States tax, \$0.10; State sales tax, \$0.02  
Zola Miller Donohoe: Appropriation for Southern memorial fund

28. 51

May 15

15

Voland Printing Co.: Imprints on 500 letterheads, \$2.75; 500 No. 10 envelopes, \$3.75; tax, \$0.13; 2,000 General Orders No. 3, \$14; mailing, postage, sales tax, \$3.87  
Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Traveling expense in connection with transfer to Washington, D. C.  
Voland Printing Co., Topeka, Kans.: 500 letterheads, imprint, \$2; 500 credentials, \$14.50; 100 letterheads (Reed), \$0.95; 2,000 General Orders No. 4, \$28; 500 circular letters No. 1, \$4; parcel post and tax, \$6

7. 45

May 20

20

Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary:  
Freight on office records; express on typewriter and repairs, Topeka, Kans.; Topeka Transfer Co. for packing

24. 50

May 31

31

Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary:  
Freight on office records; express on typewriter and repairs, Topeka, Kans.; Topeka Transfer Co. for packing

55. 45

May 31

31

Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary:  
Freight on office records; express on typewriter and repairs, Topeka, Kans.; Topeka Transfer Co. for packing

100. 00

## Statement of disbursements for term ending Aug. 11, 1941—Continued

Date	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose	Supplies	Travel	Salaries	Expense	Southern memorial
1941 May 31	46	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary—Continued. Salary for May			\$150		
		Trip to Abilene, consultation with commander in chief		\$9.25			
June 10		Office expense: Postage, telegrams, express, and L. D. to Jewell, \$13.71; stenographer, closing correspondence before moving, \$25.75				\$39.46	
	47	Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.: Final bill				1.08	
	48	Ed Ludwig, florist: Wreath for funeral Past Commander in Chief C. H. William Ruhe				10.00	
12	49	Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Trip, Topeka to Pittsburgh to Washington, and Pittsburgh to Columbus and return, \$118.53; received advance, voucher No. 43, \$100; balance due, \$18.53		18.53		16.89	
	50	Office expense May 19 to 31 in Topeka and Washington—Doyle Printing Service, Washington, D. C.: Imprinting 3 lots letterheads, \$11; 500 No. 10 envelopes, \$6; 500 manila envelopes, \$7				24.00	
18	51	W. W. Nixon, commander in chief: Advance traveling expense		200.00			
	52	Russell C. Martin, adjutant general: Salary, April, May, and June			25	5.00	
	53	Postage and telegrams					
July 9	54	J. A. Hamilton, quartermaster general: Salary for April, May, and June			25	5.00	
		Office expense					
		Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Salary for June			150		
July 9	55	Office expense: Postage, telephone, telegrams, and express				14.33	
	56	J. M. Winters & Sons, Quincy, Ill.: Premium on exchange of bond				2.50	
		Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary: Paid Hillmer Leather Co., Topeka, for repairing headquarters' trunk,					



9	57	\$2.50; expenses attending Pennsylvania encampment, correcting books and records, \$12.40; and petty cash for office, \$10	12.40		12.50	
19	58	Underwood Elliott Fisher Co., New York: Adjusting typewriter in Washington, ribbon and delivery			4.37	
		Katharine R. A. Flood, national secretary:		150		
		Salary for July				
15	59	Office expense: Postage, telegrams, express, \$12.29; supplies and carfares to Capitol, \$3			15.29	
		Russell C. Martin, adjutant general: Salary for balance of term		25		
	60	J. A. Hamilton, quartermaster general:				
		Salary for balance of term		25	5.00	
		Office expense				
	61	Katharine R. A. Flood, National secretary:		225		
		Salary for balance of term, Aug. 1 to Sept. 15				
		Office expense: Postage, \$12; telephones, \$3.25; telegrams, \$4.12; supplies, \$1.90			21.27	
		Total	1,416.57	2,000	1,308.30	\$1,000

*Inventory of supplies in quartermaster general's office, Aug. 11, 1941*

Supplies	On hand August 1940	Issued	On hand August 1941
Rules and Regulations, 1922, with amendments-----	469	1	468
1922, damaged, no amendments-----	30	-----	-----
1917, with no amendments-----	7	-----	-----
Rituals-----	30	-----	30
Officers' cards:			
Senior vice commander-----	91	-----	91
Junior vice commander-----	47	-----	47
Chaplain-----	78	-----	78
Ode cards-----	139	-----	139
Service books-----	154	-----	154
Applications for membership-----	418	-----	418
Leave of absence-----	323	-----	323
Transfers: Certificates 518, cards 884-----	1, 402	-----	1, 402
Discharge cards-----	650	-----	650
Charters: Department 114, post 133-----	247	-----	247
Descriptive books-----	37	-----	37
Blue books: 1895, 2; 1899, 1; 1902, 6-----	9	-----	9
Comrades-at-large certificates-----	568	32	536
Electrotypes-----	-----	-----	9
Lapel buttons-----	725	20	705
Badges-----	375	13	362
Rank straps-----	584	2	582
Ribbons; 25 pieces-----	25	-----	25
Amendments to rules and regulations-----	407	-----	407
Form C-----	1, 000	-----	1, 000
Form I-----	153	108	45
Forms A and B-----	1, 423	923	500
Report of department chaplain-----	232	73	159
Report of post chaplain-----	2, 070	798	1, 272
Report of department patriotic instructor-----	134	71	63
Report of post patriotic instructor-----	1, 522	798	724

*Free blanks issued*

Form A and B (report of adjutant and quartermaster)-----	923
Form I (requisition for supplies)-----	108
Report of department chaplain-----	73
Report of post chaplain-----	798
Report of department patriotic instructor-----	71
Report of post patriotic instructor-----	798

# REPORT OF THE UNION TRUST CO. OF PITTSBURGH, CUSTODIAN FOR THE PERMANENT FUND OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

For the period August 10, 1940, to August 9, 1941, inclusive

Date		Disbursements	Receipts	Balance
	PRINCIPAL			
Aug. 10, 1940	\$4,000 par value city of New York 4½ percent corporate bonds-----		\$4, 000. 00	-----
Do.	Cash on hand-----		1, 993. 46	-----
Sept. 7, 1940	Check drawn, bond of treasurer-----	\$12. 50		-----
July 28, 1941	Check drawn to quartermaster general-----	830. 00		-----
	Total-----	842. 50	5, 993. 46	\$5, 150. 96
	INCOME			
Aug. 10, 1940	Cash on hand-----		89. 00	-----
Nov. 4, 1940	Interest on bonds-----		90. 00	-----
May 3, 1941	do-----		90. 00	-----
July 28, 1941	Check drawn to quartermaster general-----	170. 00		-----
	Compensation of custodian-----	9. 00		-----
	Total-----	179. 00	269. 00	90. 00
	Balance-----			5, 240. 96

The Union Trust Co. of Pittsburgh, depositary for the trustees of the permanent fund of the Grand Army of the Republic, hereby certifies that the above annual statement to August 10, 1941, is correct and that the balance shown consists of \$4,000 par value in securities and \$1,240.96 in cash.

THE UNION TRUST CO. OF PITTSBURGH.  
D. A. HAZLETT, *Assistant Treasurer.*



## REPORT OF JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL

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DES MOINES, IOWA, *July 15, 1941.*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,

*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: A request from our efficient secretary for an annual report affords me opportunity to again thank the commander in chief for the honor of my appointment as judge advocate general.

Inasmuch as requests for an opinion must come from the commander in chief and no requests for any opinion have been made, I assume that our business has progressed throughout this year with entire peace and harmony.

I am planning to attend the national encampment in Columbus, and hope to meet and greet you there and pledge my assistance in any way possible.

Sincerely in fraternity, charity, and loyalty,

T. J. NOLL,  
*Judge Advocate General.*



THOMAS J. NOLL  
JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL



JOSEPH B. HENNINGER  
INSPECTOR GENERAL



## REPORT OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

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BURBANK, CALIF., *July 13, 1941.*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,

*Adjutant-General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: As there are no duties prescribed for the office of inspector general at this late date of Grand Army activities, it is assumed that it is an honorary one only. Hence there is no report to make, but I avail myself of the opportunity to thank the commander in chief Nixon for the honor conferred upon me.

Sincerely in fraternity, charity, and loyalty,

JOSEPH B. HENNINGER,  
*Inspector General.*

## REPORT OF NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

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PORTLAND, OREG., *July 22, 1941.*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,

*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: Called to assume the office on the death of Comrade Asa O. Gere in May, I tried to find something I might do to show my appreciation of the honor conferred on me.

I found, however, that the work of patriotic instruction was well taken care of by the members of our Auxiliary and allied organizations, and that all that was required of me was to attend their open meetings, flag presentations, dinners, and so forth, as a representative of the Grand Army of the Republic, both national and department. All invitations from the veterans of later wars have been accepted also, and I have received every attention and courtesy from them.

To Commander in Chief Nixon I extend my thanks for the appointment to this office, an honor both to the Department of Oregon and to me. I thank you, Comrade Martin and Secretary Flood, for many favors received in the past.

Sincerely in F., C., and L.,

THEODORE A. PENLAND,  
*National Patriotic Instructor.*



THEODORE A. PENLAND  
NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR





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ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL

## REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL

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HOUSTON, TEX., *July 21, 1941.*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,

*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: First, I wish to thank the commander in chief for the honor of appointment on his staff. For some years, as department commander, I have tried to uphold the traditions of the Grand Army of the Republic and have carried on the work of Memorial Day in this city and surrounding towns.

I have been hampered by sickness this past winter, but hope to be able to attend the national encampment in September and be of assistance to you.

Yours in F., C., and L.,

JOHN SHEARER,  
*Assistant Adjutant General.*

## REPORT OF NATIONAL CHIEF OF STAFF

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CRESTLINE, OHIO, *July 25, 1941.*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,

*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: I was much surprised last October when Commander in Chief Nixon appointed me national chief of staff. I have accepted all invitations received and have extended the greetings of the commander in chief. There is little required of the chief of staff until the week of the national encampment, and I hope to so conduct the duties of my office that week as to merit the commendation of my comrades.

I extend my sincere appreciation and thanks to Commander in Chief Nixon for the honor conferred on me and the Department of Ohio.

Sincerely in F., C., and L.,

THOMAS RIDENOUR,  
*Chief of Staff.*





THOMAS RIDENOUR  
CHIEF OF STAFF



LYMAN E. BUTTERFIELD  
SENIOR AIDE-DE-CAMP

## REPORT OF SENIOR AIDE-DE-CAMP

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MANCHESTER, N. H., *July 19, 1941.*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,

*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: I herewith submit my report as senior aide-de-camp.

Because of conditions over which we have no control I have been unable to visit any post meetings in my section of the country, but I have made 18 visits to meetings of our allied organizations. At each of these affairs I brought the greetings of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The past year has been one of joy and sorrow; joy in the knowledge that our organization is still carrying on, and sorrow in the fact that the grim reaper of death is constantly making greater inroads into our membership.

My year of service to our beloved organization has been one of much pleasure to me. May the coming year hold only health, happiness, and contentment to each and everyone of my comrades.

May I express my appreciation to our commander in chief, William W. Nixon, for the honor conferred upon me and the Department of New Hampshire. I plan to attend the national encampment to be held at Columbus, Ohio, and shall be at the service of the commander in chief in any capacity that he may direct.

Sincerely in fraternity, charity, and loyalty,

LYMAN E. BUTTERFIELD,  
*Senior Aide-de-Camp.*





EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
NATIONAL COUNCIL  
OF ADMINISTRATION

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**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION,  
HELD MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1941, IN ROOM 1216,  
DESHLER-WALLICK HOTEL, COLUMBUS, OHIO**

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The executive committee of the National Council of Administration met, pursuant to call, at 1:20 p. m. on Monday, September 15, 1941, in room 1216 of the Deshler-Wallick Hotel. The following members of the committee were present: Commander in Chief William W. Nixon; Senior Vice Commander in Chief Thomas Ambrose; Comrade George A. Gay, of Massachusetts; Comrade J. S. Dumser, of California and Nevada.

Secretary KATHARINE R. A. FLOOD. There is not much business for this meeting, except the report of the auditing committee and to talk over anything you have in mind.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Well, comrades, we meet on the seventy-fifth anniversary to do business. What is your pleasure?

Secretary FLOOD. I think I would like to report on a matter of business left over from last year—the Andrew traveling money. You remember the question came up that he had drawn the last \$200 2 days before he died, and it was reported that his wife would not get that money. But we found out later that she did get it. All money in the bank was left to her—about \$400. I talked with you about it, you remember, after you got better. We would have had a great deal of difficulty getting that money out of the executor of the estate, if we did finally succeed, and it was finally decided that inasmuch as the money went to the widow they would not try to get that \$200 back.

I would like to get the approval of the committee here. Perhaps that should go before the council, because they were the people who said to get it back if we could, on the assumption that she was not to have it. But when I went to look into the matter I found that she got the money in the bank, which was three or four hundred dollars. And she is now in the soldiers' home in Quincy, where she had been the mistress when he was the commandant. She cannot get a pension because they were married just 3 months short of the time. They were married in October 1905, but the pension law date was June 27, 1905.

Comrade AMBROSE. If I be in order, I should move that the whole matter be dropped.

Secretary FLOOD. We could not get it now. It is too late to get it now. I would like the approval of the action in having stopped action on it.

Comrade AMBROSE. I incorporate that in my motion.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Are you ready for the question? All in favor——

Comrade DUMSER. Comrade Commander, it seems to me that that ought to come before the full council.

Secretary FLOOD. We would like the committee to know the situation.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Ready for the question? All in favor say "Aye." Contrary, "No." The ayes have it unanimously.

Secretary FLOOD. We could not get that because the estate is closed, but we do want approval of what has been done.

Comrade DUMSER. Comrade Commander, and national senior vice, and secretary, and my associate, this is the report of the auditing committee who have audited the records of the two quartermasters, the deceased one and the one who acted up to the present time. We found the books in excellent condition. Everything was very clear, very satisfactory, and we went over them very thoroughly, the entire record, and we have this to report to you. [Reading:]

#### REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE

COLUMBUS, OHIO, *September 15, 1941.*

We have carefully examined the receipts and vouchers for expense and have compared the footings of the books as kept by the quartermaster general with above and find them correct. We highly commend the report, finding it to be a very fine report.

The committee wishes to express its sorrow at the death of Quartermaster General A. C. Estabrook and commend his excellent work, as well as that of his successor, Comrade J. A. Hamilton.

J. S. DUMSER, *Chairman.*  
T. J. NOLL.

I have to state this, that neither Comrade Fogler nor Comrade Rexroad were present. The report is respectfully submitted.

Secretary FLOOD. It will be reported in the council again, and that is where it will be accepted. It is just for the information of the committee.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Is there anything else to come before this meeting?

Comrade DUMSER. I wish to say something before the council meeting regarding the question of locating the encampment. The comrades are coming year after year from the far West, and the expense is very great.

(Off-the-record discussion as to meeting places for the encampment.)

Secretary FLOOD. Has anyone else anything to consider here? Do you want to discuss here before you go into the council meeting the possible location of headquarters—that is, discussion among yourselves?

Comrade DUMSER. Is that coming up?

Secretary FLOOD. Mrs. Hahn is coming in with something at this encampment.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Of course, they have got headquarters there at Springfield, and I understood they were going to offer us a room for the national headquarters in the building with the Woman's Relief Corps.

Comrade DUMSER. I have been in Washington in the building owned by the Daughters, and been in the room used by the Grand Army, as possibly some of the rest of you have been. There are some things to be said for Washington as permanent headquarters, and Comrade Martin has been strong for it. I don't want to antagonize them. I love the Daughters. No man can love the Daughters more than I do.



I wish to goodness that this had come up years ago. We ought to have settled on it and made it central, because this can be taken care of just as well over here. Springfield, Ill., above any other place in the United States, holds more for us than any other city.

Further informal discussion concerning temporary location of headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Comrade DUMSER. If there is nothing further to come before us, I move that we recess from this meeting into the other.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Adjourn this meeting. All in favor say "Aye." [Unanimously carried.]



**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF  
ADMINISTRATION HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15,  
1941, IN ROOM 1212 OF THE DESHLER-WALLICK HOTEL,  
COLUMBUS, OHIO**

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The National Council of Administration convened at 2:05 p. m., Monday, September 15, 1941, in room 1212 of the Deshler-Wallick Hotel, Columbus, Ohio, Commander in Chief William W. Nixon presiding.

In addition to the commander in chief, the following members of the council responded to the roll call or came in during the meeting:

Senior Vice Commander in Chief Thomas Ambrose.

Junior Vice Commander in Chief Rustan O. Reed.

Judge Advocate General T. J. Noll.

Comrade J. S. Dumser, of California and Nevada.

Comrade Lewis H. Easterly, of Colorado and Wyoming.

Comrade T. B. Williams, of Kansas.

Comrade John W. Fogler, of Maine.

Comrade George A. Gay, of Massachusetts.

Comrade Martin J. Warner, of Michigan.

Comrade Charles H. Perry, of Minnesota.

Comrade Jno. Hollingsworth, of Missouri.

Comrade Frank E. Amadon, of New Hampshire.

Comrade Thomas H. Stritch, of New York.

Comrade E. H. Sawyer, of Oklahoma.

Comrade A. W. Gabrio, of Pennsylvania.

Comrade John Shearer, of Texas.

Comrade Ira Stormes, of Utah.

Commander in Chief NIXON. The commander of the Sons of Veterans will invoke the divine blessing.

Dr. J. KIRKWOOD CRAIG. Our Father God, with grateful hearts we come to Thee this afternoon as a group of men and women tremendously interested in the welfare of this country of ours and of the world. And as assembled today we are mindful of the days of yesterday, those days that have forever gone.

We are likewise thinking of the days that are ahead of us, with many duties and responsibilities resting upon us and the coming generation.

But on this day we are thinking of today, and we pray that Thou wilt help us to think wisely and well. We thank Thee, our Father, for this group of men whom we all delight to honor, men who have given so much of themselves and their service "that this Nation under God might have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people, and for the people should not perish from the earth."

God help us to keep green in our minds the memory of the services and sacrifices of our fathers and forefathers and their comrades, for many of whom taps have already been sounded. We pray Thy highest

blessing now to rest upon these who remain among us, and grant, our Father, that these days may be happy days, and, as they think of today and the year that is ahead, grant that their days and their thoughts may be happy days and happy thoughts.

Bless us now in our counsels together. Forgive our sins of omission and our sins of commission, and help us to think of those boys and girls that are coming along—yea, even of the unborn generations. And may we so keep the memories of the service and the sacrifice of our fathers and our brothers in our minds and in our hearts that those who come after us may find that there is a bridge across the chasm over which they can go in safety.

Bless our President. Bless our great Nation. Bless our Commonwealths, our States, and all who are in authority everywhere.

And bless those poor, suffering people, our Father, across the seas. Therefore help us to think not only in terms of ourselves and of our immediate associates. May we recognize that we have the obligation of being citizens of a world as well as citizens of a nation. Grant, our Father, that the time may soon come when chaos and confusion shall give way to world brotherhood, to friendship, to peace and prosperity.

All this and more we ask in the name and for the sake of Christ, the lover of men and women and youth and little children, Amen.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Roll call. (The roll was called by the shorthand reporter and the names of those present noted, as previously indicated.)

Report of the auditing committee.

Comrade DUMSER. Comrade Commander and members of the Council of Administration assembled; your auditing committee performed their duties this forenoon in the absence of some of its members. Comrade Fogler could not be found, and Comrade Rexroad we are informed is not here. Comrade T. J. Noll, judge advocate, was substituted and we went over the books and records of the year kept by two quartermasters, one deceased and the other living, and found the books very carefully kept by the secretary. We found everything in fine order, and report it in excellent condition—an excellent record. We have this written report, and I now read it to you. (Reading report contained in proceedings of the executive committee, and found at page 134 of this journal.) We respectfully submit this report to you.

Secretary KATHARINE R. A. FLOOD. Will you make an addition to that and say "the books as kept by the department secretary of Michigan, Miss Simpson"?

Comrade DUMSER. Very well. You have heard that, and the addition will be made to the report. I submit the report to you and move its adoption.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Comrades, what do you wish to do with that report? Any remarks? Any second? [Motion seconded.] All in favor of the motion say "Aye." Contrary, "No." The ayes have it.

We are glad to have these visitors here with us this afternoon. We will hear from Mrs. Grace Hahn. She has a report to make.

Mrs. GRACE HOULETTE HAHN, president, the National Woman's Relief Corps. My commander in chief of the Grand Army of the



Republic, my veterans of this council meeting of the Grand Army of the Republic, and all distinguished guests, I bring you greetings from the National Woman's Relief Corps. I am amazed to see the businesslike manner in which you start off—just like anybody else. It shows how wonderfully strong and fine you are at this day and age. If I am privileged to live past 90, like three of my grandparents did, I hope the Lord will give me as bright an intellect as you show here today.

A year ago I was elected to the highest office that the National Woman's Relief Corps could give to any woman. They have given it to one woman each year for the past 58 years. I considered it a great honor. But I am having an honor this moment far greater than that. Facing you, listening to your voices, looking into your eyes is more to me than any privilege I have ever had in my 65 years. And I do appreciate the invitation that we have had. I appreciate the law that gives us the right to come in, the law that you have made that we might be admitted to your council meetings, and I thank you for that.

The Woman's Relief Corps feel like the big sisters of the other four organizations, and we like to set good examples, and I hope we have been able to this year the same as before. The other four of your children do behave so beautifully that we know the big sister must set a good example.

Our hearts, our hands, all we have for the past 58 years have been yours. Our money, our services, our lives have been dedicated to you. We have on our record books a new law that was passed last year. The recommendation of the then national president was passed by the fifty-seventh annual convention. I want to read you this law:

That we offer the Grand Army of the Republic space in our building for their headquarters so long as they are with us.

The word "headquarters" didn't mean a great deal to us this year. Before that one paragraph we made a law that we would establish a building in Springfield, Ill., as the headquarters of the National Woman's Relief Corps. We started out without 1 cent, until the pennies began to come in during the convention. They have come in faster during the entire year. I am prepared to tell you that the fund now is growing each day as this convention proceeds. I was told a few minutes ago that another State had completed their entire quota.

All we asked of our women was 25 cents. All this year there have been thousands of hands handed out with 25 cents in them. Some of them gave more, which we were glad for, until we raised over \$15,000 for this project—over that amount.

I am prepared to report to you that the headquarters building—by the headquarters committee which empowered them to buy the building with this money—has been bought and paid for, all in cash, at Springfield, Ill. [Applause.] Thank you.

This building I believe is two blocks from Abraham Lincoln's old home. It is a downtown location, but it is not close enough downtown that the influence is bad.

We are prepared this afternoon to repeat to you this offer to the Grand Army of the Republic: "That we offer the Grand Army of the



Republic space in our building for their headquarters so long as they are with us." And we most sincerely hope that you will avail yourselves of this opportunity to establish your headquarters in the center of the United States of America along with your Auxiliary; and we thank you for permitting us to be your Auxiliary.

God bless you and give you a wonderful convention. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief NIXON. Mrs. Nellie Stammel, president of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Mrs. STAMMEL. Commander in chief, comrades, presidents of the allied organizations, commander in chief of the Sons of Union Veterans, other distinguished guests, again it is a great privilege to be admitted to a council meeting of the Grand Army of the Republic. And what a privilege and a pleasure it is! Last year I appreciated that privilege, and I deeply appreciate it this year. I know we do enjoy meeting with the comrades whenever we can, and it is a great pleasure to come before you today.

I just wish to say "Thank you," and wish for you, commander in chief, and for our comrades, a most happy convention, which I am sure you will have. And again I want to express my appreciation for the privilege of meeting with you. Thank you. [Applause.] May I bring to you the sincere good wishes and love of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Thank you. Thank you. We will now hear from Mrs. Mattie Tucker, national president of the Daughters.

Mrs. TUCKER. Commander in chief, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, distinguished guests on the platform, and all present, I think that takes in everybody.

I just want to bring you greetings of the national department, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-65, and to express to you my pleasure in having the privilege of coming here to this meeting. It is my second time at the meeting—a short one in Chicago and this one. It is very, very interesting.

It is so delightful to me to see so many of my father's comrades present here. I have worked for 38 years now for the Grand Army of the Republic, and before I ever was entitled to join the Daughters of Union Veterans I used to stand with so much pride and watch my father's comrades march by. The grandest army of any known in this world is our Grand Army of the Republic.

I want to congratulate my sister Hahn. I want to congratulate her upon obtaining her headquarters at Springfield, Ill., this year. I know she is delighted; she is just as delighted to offer her headquarters as we were when our national organization offered ours in Washington, D. C. One of the outstanding features of my year is the fact that at least for a short time, our Grand Army of the Republic took up their headquarters in Washington, D. C.

In 1934 we established that headquarters, and we today haven't one cent against it. We did it all by ourselves. No one helped us—only by the donations received from our own members. And we are pleased indeed that the Grand Army for part of this year have had their headquarters at Washington, D. C., in our beautiful headquarters of the Daughters of Veterans.



I want to thank the commander in chief and all the comrades for the privilege of being here today, and to extend to you the greetings of my national organization, the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-65. Thank you. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief NIXON. We will now hear from the commander in chief of the Sons of Union Veterans, Dr. Craig.

Dr. CRAIG. Comrade Nixon and comrades of the Grand Army, and our associates here, the presidents of the various women's organizations, I can add to what these women have already said and say that I, too, am very proud of our opportunity to come here and be with you comrades in this session.

As commander in chief of the Sons of Union Veterans I have said to my associates down through the years from Maine to California that if a year ago when we met in Springfield and they talked about nominating me for the office of commander in chief of the Sons of Union Veterans, if I had known that it was going to mean so many, many miles and miles of travel, so much time away from home and so much time away from my work as a minister of the Gospel—and I want to be a good minister of Jesus Christ; if I had known that I was going to receive letters from Tom, Dick, and Harry, to say nothing of some of the others—some of them have been terrible, and some of them have been delightful; but if I had known all these things were going to happen to me as commander in chief of the Sons of Union Veterans, I want to say, comrades—I would have accepted the office just the same, because I have had a delightful year.

We have traveled, as we would say in the good Book, from Dan to Beersheba, and then from coast to coast. It has been such a delight to me to meet some of my friends of early school days, some of the boys and girls that I have not seen for years and years and years, to say nothing of the high privilege that was mine in Pittsburg, Kans., to lay a little wreath of flowers on the grave of my father—my soldier father.

And, as I said to the comrades last night, when I did that, of course, I thought of him and mother, who lie beneath that slab. But I also thought of his comrades.

And then, on the return trip from the coast, when I had the high privilege of visiting Iowa City, where my mother was born and from which my soldier father went into the service, Sixteenth Iowa, Company E, Infantry Volunteers, and where Gov. and Mrs. Samuel J. Kirkwood lie buried—the man for whom I am named. His widow, on whom I called just previous to her being 100 years of age.

When I think of all these high privileges I want to tell you that I feel that whatever sacrifices I may have made in making these long trips, in meeting with these various organizations, in answering these various letters—some good and some no good—I want to say that I feel that these sacrifices have been as nothing compared to the joys that have been mine in meeting with the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic across the country and meeting also with these other national officers and also with the members of the allied organizations, these organizations allied with the Grand Army of the Republic, and in many cases have come also the Spanish War Veterans and the American Legion and their auxiliaries, and so forth. So it has been a real joy to be with you in these various council meetings and these other meetings, too.



However, this time has not all been spent in just having a good time. I have dreamed some dreams. I hope I have been able to have a little vision of the tomorrows as well as the responsibilities of today. And I am so glad to hear these reports that have come to us from the woman that I have come to call Mother Grace Hahn. She says she is our big sister, but that won't go, because she represents the Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, and the Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic is comparable to the wives of the Grand Army men and, therefore, no matter how young and sweet she looks, we still count her old, we still call her Mother Grace instead of Sister Grace, and she says that is O. K.

I am delighted to hear her report of these headquarters, the establishment of the headquarters, and I have been hoping that something might be crystallized either here or certainly in the very, very near future, looking forward to the establishment of a consolidated headquarters for all the organizations that have been connected with the Grand Army of the Republic. Where it is to be I don't know. And who is to be in charge I don't know. But I tried to say to the organizations with which I have met this past year that we have all got to hang together or else, as soon as our dads are gone, we are all going to hang separately. We have all got to stick together or else, as soon as our dads are gone, we are all going to be stuck.

And when I tell that I am always reminded of a little girl over in England who, like all good little girls, said her prayers every night. And so one night as she knelt at her mother's knees she prayed for the king and the queen and the princess and the princess' little sister. She prayed for the men in the army, and in the navy, and in the air corps, and for the men who went down into the sea in the submarines, and for the merchant marine, and so on. In fact she prayed for the children also who were going to Canada, the little refugee children who have come to the States and Canada. I hope a lot of you have heard these conversations that have gone on between the children and their parents over in England from time to time. She prayed for everybody that she could think of and then finally she felt that it was time for her to quit her prayer and she closed with words like these: "And now, dear God, for pity sake take care of yourself because if anything happens to you we are all sunk." So I feel that unless we members of the allied organizations who have been so graciously received by the Grand Army of the Republic, we are liable to be sunk as soon as the Grand Army of the Republic is no more unless we learn how to live and love and work and serve together.

I also feel that increasingly our organizations want to be helpful. All of these allied organizations have in the principles and objects of their orders a statement to the effect that we are organized to perpetuate the memory of the Union soldiers and sailors and marines, the members of the Grand Army of the Republic; and also to render service to you, this vanishing organization, and to the widows and orphans. And we are also pledged to help bring to pass that saying of Abraham Lincoln when he hoped that this Government might continue to be a "government of the people and by the people and for the people."

And so therefore I pledge again, as all my predecessors have done, and as we have written into our constitution, rules, and regulations—I



am authorized to pledge again the unstinted and sacrificial services of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. You dads and granddads have taken awfully good care of us kids and little kids, and I think one of the finest compliments that can be paid to us is when somebody says, "You get more like your dads every day." We hope that that is true.

We pledge anew our services, even to sacrificial service, to the members of the Grand Army of the Republic, and if at any time we can be of any help in planning programs, in talking over ways and means, or accomplishing some of the things that you want to accomplish and doing some of the things that you think ought to be done, all you have to do is to lay your plans before the members of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and let us sit down with you around the tables in your council chambers and face with you some of the stern realities of life as they really are at the present time.

And I am sure that what I say of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is equally true of these women who have so many times put us to shame in the services that they have rendered to you and to your organization. A lot of other things I would like to say and I would say, but I am not going to say them. The only thing I want to say is this, in closing, that we appreciate the privileges of coming in and sitting with you. We want to learn from you, but we want to learn from you how to do what we ought to do in order that, when we have to take your responsibilities of doing it, we will be able to do them in that way in which we think you would like to have us do it. Therefore, we must counsel together on these matters of vital importance to both of us.

I will close with this little story. There was a family reunion and a couple of sons had come home to see their mother and their sisters and their brothers, and they brought with them their children. The oldest son was present with his family and the youngest son was present with his family. But the father of these two boys had died when the younger son was just a little tiny lad. And they went into that old-fashioned parlor, on the walls of which there hung several portraits, and among the rest of them the portrait of the father. And this younger son said to the older brother, "I wish I had known my father. I don't remember very much about him." And then the older brother said to his younger brother, "Well, folks who knew my father and folks who know me say that I have increasingly become more and more like my father." And then this younger son who did not remember his father turned away from the portrait on the wall and looked into the face of his older brother who was so much like his father. And those two boys went out of that room, the younger perfectly satisfied because he had seen a man who reminded him so much of his father.

Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, as Tiny Tim would say, "God bless us every one." Thank you. A good time and good luck. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief NIXON. We will now hear from the president of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans, Mrs. Clara Gallagher, of Philadelphia.

Mrs. GALLAGHER. This is a pal of my father. All year he has been just wonderful. I would like to give him a kiss. I gave him what Mat-



tie wouldn't. This is a very, very happy moment that I can come before you as national president of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans and bring you my greetings and the greetings of our organization.

I am a very, very happy, proud girl that I am a daughter of a Union veteran of the Civil War and my father was a Grand Army man. Seven girls and two boys who had a mother and father who have always been interested and have always worked for the Grand Army of the Republic and the Sons of Union Veterans and the allied orders.

I am sorry that I cannot offer to you a headquarters in a building, but I do want to offer to you in behalf of our organization all of our love, all of our loyal support in anything that the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans can do for my father's comrades and the Grand Army of the Republic. I want you to know that you are to come to us and ask and we will freely give and do all we can.

To Mother Grace, I want to say I am so happy that you realized one of the things that was the greatest ambition of your year, and I hope you will be very happy, and I know you will be.

Mrs. HAHN. I hope you will be able to have one some day too.

Mrs. GALLAGHER. I hope so too. We are all willing, if we were able, to give them headquarters.

And I certainly want Mattie to know that I am happy that she has had the honor and the privilege of having her fathers, the Grand Army of the Republic, holding their headquarters in the Daughters of Veterans' home in Washington. I know how happy she is. I know how happy I would be.

Once again I just wish for you every blessing, and I hope God will keep you all well and healthy and that I can see you all next year when I come to this meeting, as I hope I will come to it. God bless you one and all. I thank you.

Secretary FLOOD. The national president of the Daughters would like to be excused to go to the exemplification her own department is putting on now for the convention.

We have a little lady here—Grace may have seen the finish but Mrs. Elsie Carroll, who was national president last year, should get a lot of the credit for putting the rollers on which finally rolled in this year to Grace.

Commander in Chief NIXON. We would like to hear Mrs. Carroll.

Mrs. CARROLL. Commander in Chief of the Grand Army, Comrade Nixon, distinguished guests, and every member of the Grand Army before me, any words of mine seem so empty in comparison to the inspiration which you give me as I stand here before you. It makes me think of my own comrade father who served throughout the Civil War, throughout its duration. And of course it recalls very vividly to my mind one who is not here today in person—my comrade husband of Lisbon, N. Dak., Colonel Carroll, who has asked me to give you his love and good will and good wishes for a very happy and constructive convention, and he trusts that you may enjoy the very best of health not only through this year but through yet many years to come.

I don't know of a time when the services and the work of the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Civil War veterans, and the service you have given your country, have been so referred to and have been so repeated as this year and in the last 2 years; and I am



sure that all of us are thinking more seriously and being more conscientious and better citizens because of that reference repeatedly to the service you have given—the fine, splendid, Christian gentlemen which you are, and the esteem in which all hold you.

I say thank you, indeed, for the privilege of coming here today, and trust that I may have the pleasure of seeing you for many years yet to come. And, as with others, I say, God bless you everyone. [Applause.]

Secretary FLOOD. Mrs. Frances M. Haskell, past national president of the Ladies.

Commander in Chief NIXON. We are glad to have you with us today.

Mrs. HASKELL. Thank you, Comrade. Commander in Chief, and all of the heads of the allied orders, and my comrades, I am indeed happy and deem it a privilege to stand before you today. I want to congratulate Sister Grace here on her accomplishment this year. I have been a member of the Woman's Relief Corps for 27 years—Custer Corps in Tacoma. I have been a member of the Ladies of the Grand Army 37 years, which is 10 years longer, and we, the Ladies of the Grand Army, have no headquarters for the comrades as yet. I don't know that they have ever tried to establish a headquarters for the comrades, but we have homes for your widows and orphans. We have established those. I have charge of one in Tacoma, Wash., where we have 3 widows and 25 daughters of Union Veterans. [Applause.]

Those daughters are away along in years. We have one there now 96, a daughter of a Union veteran. And I have given, comrades, 27 years of my life in that work. So I am happy. The good Book tells us who to look out for, and John A. Logan's Memorial Day order; and we, the Ladies of the Grand Army, are doing what we can in our way. We are not your Auxiliary, but we are working.

My grandfather went back to the war with my uncle, who came home wounded. My grandfather was 47 years old, and he went back with my uncle. So I am a granddaughter also. I had seven uncles in the war. And when I look over a group of comrades like this, I just miss my own. While you are all my own, but to see one of my own uncles sit in a group like this, seems to me I would be the happiest person in the world.

But I am happy to look into your faces and to do my part and my bit where I am put to do it and asked to do it. And, comrades, we are with you—the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, the national organization and all of the members.

I see my Comrade Reed over here from Seattle, Wash. I am from the State of Washington, Sister Grace. Last year I knew Sister Elfie, Brother Ralph, and Sister Eva, because I belonged to the Auxiliary, and the Daughters, and the Sons. I enjoyed traveling with them and doing what we could do, as a whole—the heads. And now today I meet them again, and am so happy.

And Sister Katharine Flood, God bless her. Boys, you couldn't get along a minute without her—and we felt the same way last year—every order. We came to her for information and consultation too. Bless her heart. You boys stay with our Katharine. And God bless you in your deliberations, and I bid you good-bye. [Applause.]

Secretary FLOOD. Mrs. Bertha Droz, past national president, Daughters of Veterans.



Mrs. DROZ. Commander in Chief Nixon, comrades of my granddaddies, and my friends of the allied organizations, present and past, my national president has just left me. She has already extended the greetings of the national organization, Daughters of Union Veterans, but since your commander in chief, and my commander in chief also, has called on me for a few remarks I am just going to say this.

I am happy for Sister Grace, I am happy for the Daughters that they can offer headquarters. I am happy that the Sons of Veterans have offered their support. I am happy for what Sister Frances Haskell has offered and has done, and also her national president. And the thought that came to me was this: Oh, how different we are from the lady who lived in St. Louis. She liked to brag. Well, who doesn't—among the ladies, I mean? But anyway she liked to brag. Her next-door neighbor said to her, "Did you know that Mrs. So and So just purchased a beautiful flag?" She said, "Yes, I saw it. She displayed it on the Fourth of July." She said, "I was so happy to think that the flag that I just bought was so much prettier and even has more stripes in it." But that does not happen among the allied family of the Grand Army of the Republic.

That flag that we love, the flag you gave to us, has 13 stripes, and I have found it so in the Woman's Relief Corps, I have found it in the Ladies of the Grand Army, the Sons of Veterans, and also the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary; and that is the flag that we are living under, and it is only through your sacrifices that we are living under it.

I did not come here to make a speech. I came here because Sister Mattie told me I had to come. But I am glad she told me that, because I would not have missed it for the world. Now I am going to pay my tribute to the Grand Army of the Republic. Sister Mattie has told me that I may bring the greetings from my own organization, and I shall await that moment to come and visit you again. But before I say good-bye I am going to tell you in a bit of poetry just what I think of you.

An old man, traveling a lone highway,  
Came at the evening, cold and gray,  
To a chasm, vast, and deep, and wide  
Through which was flowing a sullen tide.  
The old man crossed in the twilight dim—  
The sullen stream had no fears for him;  
But he turned when safe on the other side,  
And built a bridge to span the tide.

"Old man," said a fellow pilgrim near,  
"You're wasting your strength with building here;  
Your journey will end with the close of day,  
You never again will pass this way;  
You have crossed the chasm, deep and wide,  
Why build you this bridge at eventide?"

The builder lifted his gray old head,  
"Good friend, in the path I have come," he said,  
"There followeth after me today,  
A youth, whose feet must pass this way.  
This chasm, that has been naught to me,  
To that fair-haired youth may a pitfall be.  
He, too, must cross in the twilight dim.  
Good friend, I am building the bridge for him."

Thank you.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Dr. Barrett, past commander in chief of the Sons.

DR. RALPH R. BARRETT. Commander and members of the Grand Army of the Republic, this indeed is a happy moment for me. Last year it was my privilege to be in the meeting similar to this in the city of Springfield, and today to come again—and this is my closing opportunity, as I understand it, to meet with you in this part of your work, because it seems that we, as Sons of Union Veterans in our national organization, have for 2 years the privilege of coming with the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Boys in Blue.

But, nevertheless, I have been impressed with this fact. The girls have talked about splendid homes. They have headquarters to invite you to, and places for you to establish your headquarters.

I want to say to you within the heart—within my heart and the heart of all of us—there is a great place for you and always has been since our earliest days when we saw the Boys in Blue marching down the street. But so many of them during the years, you know, comrades, are just thinking today, “We sit here and listen to the various ones that speak upon certain points and elements of influence that we might see.” But I was just thinking about the service that you have rendered as a great organization in this our country for 75 years. Am I right? That is the influence that I have been thinking about here as I sat here and I looked about upon your faces and felt the inspiration of the time, of the fact that your organization has had upon the social, economic, the political and every element of life in this great country of ours. You stood fundamentally for every good cause. And why? Because you had preserved this country a Union of the United States of America and kept the flag unfurled in this great country of ours, and your influence has been for the good, and we of younger generations have enjoyed the privilege that other nations and other countries have not enjoyed during those 75 years.

We understand and know that many countries have changed their ways of doing business seemingly for their people, and much of it to no great good, as far as that is concerned, as we notice by the things that are happening in the world of today. But you, our fathers and our grandfathers, have left a lasting imprint upon the affairs of this country because of the things the Grand Army of the Republic have stood for during this 75 years. That is something. That is a lot. That is the biggest thing that I know of that I could talk about at this time.

Comrades, do you know—probably you have thought about it—that the Sons of Union Veterans are celebrating our sixtieth encampment here in this city—60 years? And I hope and pray that during the years as they come and go—the years that we have been privileged to be with the Grand Army—that we have received an influence that will help us and has helped us to leave some imprint along the way in the way of life in this United States of America.

You know I come from California. I come from near our comrades, some of whom are permitted to be here, from near where Col. Russell Martin lives, whom we so love and are disappointed because he cannot be here. Then a little while ago we lost that past commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, Dr. Mennet. I sat beside him—being a physician myself and he a physician—just a few hours before



his passing. He put his hand in mine and we talked together about some of the things of life. He realized as he stated to me, "Doctor, it will not be for long. I believe I am on my way." He said, "I realize my life is ended." Those are the things we talked about, hand in hand. I will never forget as long as I live, comrades of the Grand Army, that opportunity of being with a man, a valiant soldier of this, our country, for the services that he had rendered and to have offered any consoling word that I might have. But we, as doctor to doctor, were talking over the end of a life, and that night he closed his eyes in sleep eternal, blissfully to the Lord who had called him.

So, my comrades, my Commander in Chief, members of the allied organizations, I thank you for the privilege of coming before you. I feel the influence of your lives and your interest. I thank you. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief NIXON. We will now hear from Mrs. Eva B. Blackman, past national president of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans.

Mrs. BLACKMAN. Comrade Commander in Chief, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, I am the last of the long list of speakers this afternoon, and I know that you are going to be very happy to hear that. After all my predecessors have said there is not very much left for me to say. So I am just going to remind you again to remember that whenever you need help you have all the allied organizations at your back, and we know as long as we live we shall carry on the principles and objects of the Grand Army of the Republic.

I am sorry I did not address the distinguished guests, but I am sure they will understand. To you, Commander in Chief, and the comrades of your encampment, may I wish for you a very successful and harmonious convention. Thank you.

Secretary FLOOD. Commander in Chief, Mrs. Hahn made a proposition this afternoon to this council representing the encampment, and I think it would be in order for you to ask her to put that in writing for submission to the encampment, in proper form for action Wednesday or Thursday when it is reached, if she will do that.

Commander in Chief NIXON. That would be fine if you would do it.

Mrs. HAHN. I certainly will.

Secretary FLOOD. I would like to make an explanation. You all remember, who were at the meeting last year, there was some discussion about \$200 travel money which had been given to Comrade Andrew the week that he died and not expended by him; and the instructions of that meeting were that the money should be recovered, if possible. It was understood at that meeting that his widow would not get any of the money in the bank, and the Grand Army felt they should get their money back.

On investigation I found that the small amount of money in the bank—I think all together there was about \$400—was left to his widow. And I also found that there would be a question about the Grand Army of the Republic being able to recover from the executor, since the money had been deposited by Commander Andrew, and I reported to the commander in chief that if they were to get it, it would be an expensive proposition; and he felt that he should take the responsibility of saying we should not attempt to take that money from the widow.



I believe that this body, having ordered that money to be recovered if possible, should sustain the commander in chief in the decision he made in not trying to take it from the widow, who had not much else left.

Comrade REED. I make a motion that we release all our claim against the widow for that money. [Motion seconded.] It is better for us to lose it than to cause any criticism over the matter, or try to recover that money.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Comrades, you have heard the motion. All in favor of that say "aye." Contrary, "no." The ayes have it unanimously.

Secretary FLOOD. I think the feeling of the committee last year was that if it went to the widow they would not attempt to take it. But having taken the action, the commander felt that you should sustain him, so that it will be a matter of record and he cannot be criticized later.

Do you want to call on anybody else? Is there anybody else who would like to say something, or does anybody have anything to say?

Comrade EASTERLY. There was no question about the bank trying to hold it and not let her have it? Sometimes such things arise.

Secretary FLOOD. No, Comrade Easterly. He had deposited it in his account. When he died it became the business of his executor of his will, and there is a question whether we could have recovered a nickel if he didn't want to pay it.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Is there anything that you comrades—any matter that you want to bring up at this time?

Secretary FLOOD. That brings up the question, Commander. On last Friday I had notice from the Senate Pension Committee saying that on Tuesday they had unanimously reported out from the Senate Pension Committee the widows' bill which passed the House on the 29th of May. And now it is before the Senate for action, and we can only hope that it will be acted on.

Comrade PERRY. I think it would be wise for our organization to pass some resolution in regard to how this organization stands about the conditions in the world and our Government. I think we ought to pass some kind of a resolution. I leave it to you. That is the way I feel about it.

Commander in Chief NIXON. There is one thing, our organization doesn't have anything to do with politics. We don't want anything to do with politics.

Secretary FLOOD. That would be a matter for the meeting on Wednesday, Comrade Perry—not for the council of administration, but for the encampment.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Is there anything anyone wants to take up before we adjourn? I guess we will give you an opportunity if there are any of you comrades want to say anything.

Comrade GAY. I want to say just one word. I am not going to talk long because I have listened to all of you orators, and, my heavens, you put me to shame. But I am here before you and I do want to say this, that I am happy to be here with this august body. Of course, you know I have not had much experience up here in your national, but I want to say just a word concerning a man who thought he was a great orator. So when they wanted just a little sport with the gen-

tleman they went to him and they said, "Mr. Jones, we are going to have a large conference. We are going to have all the distinguished people in the town. They will be in the hall. Now we want to ask you if you will lecture to them." "Why," he said, "Yes. I will be delighted. But what in the world shall I say to them?" The man who was coaxing him to make a speech scratched his head and replied: "Oh, I will tell you. Don't say much and they won't know that you don't know much." And he sat down. Gentlemen, I am standing in just the same position as that man, and I thank you. [Laughter.]

Mrs. HAHN. Commander in Chief, tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock the Woman's Relief Corps will open their fifty-eighth convention. I have through letter invited most of the officers of the Grand Army of the Republic, the national officers, to be the escort of the commander in chief. I want you to remember that. Your secretary has so kindly consented to let all the officers who are present know; and I would like to have the national officers there at a quarter of 9, at the ball-room door. The rest of the encampment, we would be pleased to have you come and, as nearly as we can, we will seat you on the platform before we march in, so you will not be tired. I invite you to the opening of the fifty-eighth annual convention of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Comrade Ambrose, would you like to say a few words? The senior vice commander.

Comrade AMBROSE. Commander in Chief, comrades, and the ladies whom we love so much and cannot exist without, we appreciate all that you have done and all that you have said. We want you to know that we are only one of hundreds, and we want you to be with us until the end.

Let me just say generally I will repeat in a few words my gospel of Americanism. I have said it before, and I don't think I can preach it too often in these troublous times when the Constitution of the United States seems so lightly regarded by some who have taken a solemn oath to uphold it. No politics, mind you. We can say confidently that we can always depend upon the surviving members of the greatest patriotic organization of all times; that they stand today as they stood shoulder to shoulder from '61 to '65—for one country, the United States; for one flag, the Stars and Stripes; for the Constitution of our fathers unimpaired; and for the integrity of the Supreme Court. That is my gospel of Americanism. [Applause.]

Comrade NOLL. Commander in Chief, I want to say that it is one of the rules of the Grand Army of the Republic that there are no superiors in the Republic, and that the humblest one of our people has the same privileges.

Commander in Chief NIXON. One comrade has just the same privilege——

Comrade NOLL. Just as much as the other. But that is not what I got up to say. I think on the fiftieth anniversary of the ladies of the Relief Corps I was department commander of the State of Iowa. Elizabeth Kothe was my partner at that time, and since that time you elected her as the national president of the Relief Corps.

At that time I stated the history of the Woman's Relief Corps, having studied it very thoroughly, and in my closing address I recom-



mended that a history should be written of the 50 years' work that you had done. You have no idea of the amount of work they have done. At that time you had spent over \$6,000,000 in beautifying sore spots of the country. One of the most important ones was that "holy hell," they called it, down there in Georgia where they had a prison. You made a beautiful park of it, and they are even ashamed to own the name of it. So they have changed it. You don't even find such a name on the prison that they used to have on it.

But that is not what I got up to say. Two years ago we passed a law, or an amendment to the rules and regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, and whether it is right or wrong, in the resolution that was passed is that the Grand Army of the Republic should have no successors, that when the Grand Army is gone the Grand Army is done. And it is so worded in that resolution that it cannot be amended, nor can it be abolished, and so we are under that rule. It is only a few years more and we will be no more. The one thing we can leave you is our example that we have tried to set before you. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief NIXON. Is there any other comrade that has a few words to say?

Comrade WILLIAMS. I would like to talk a little bit. I am no speech-maker or anything like that, but I just have a little talk I would like to give you boys.

Secretary FLOOD. Some of the presidents must leave because they are now 15 minutes late on their program. So if you will just pardon them we will let them leave.

Comrade DUMSER. I move we adjourn.

Commander in Chief NIXON. All in favor of the motion say "Aye." Carried.



**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF  
ADMINISTRATION HELD IN PARLOR A OF THE DESH-  
LER-WALLICK HOTEL, COLUMBUS, OHIO, THURSDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 18, 1941**

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The new council of administration met pursuant to the call of the commander in chief in parlor A of the Deshler-Wallick Hotel, Columbus, Ohio, Thursday, September 18, 1941. The meeting was called to order by the commander in chief at 2:55 p. m., and upon roll call the following members responded:

Commander in Chief George A. Gay, Boston, Mass.  
Junior Vice Commander in Chief J. S. Dumser, Oakland, Calif.  
Surgeon General Edward H. Cowan, Crawfordsville, Ind.  
Judge Advocate General T. J. Noll, Des Moines, Iowa.  
Comrade Lewis H. Easterly, of Colorado and Wyoming.  
Comrade Truman N. Parsons, of Connecticut.  
Comrade Milton H. Myers, of Illinois.  
Comrade Elliott P. Taylor, of Iowa.  
Comrade John W. Fogler, of Maine.  
Comrade Samuel Snow, of Massachusetts.  
Comrade Thomas H. Stritch, of New York.  
Comrade T. A. Penland, of Oregon.  
Comrade A. W. Gabrio, of Pennsylvania.  
Comrade Ira Stormes, of Utah.  
Comrade A. R. Kibbe, of Wisconsin.

There were also present the secretary of the Grand Army of the Republic, Miss Katharine R. A. Flood, of Massachusetts, and the following representatives of the auxiliary and allied orders:

Woman's Relief Corps: May Luchsinger, national president; Grace B. Willard, past national president.

Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic: Nellie K. Stammel, national president; Edwina P. Trigg, past national president.

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War: Glennola Gilchrist Sill, national president-elect; Mattie Reason Tucker, national president.

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War: Albert C. Lambert, commander in chief; J. Kirkwood Craig, past commander in chief.

Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War: Margaret D. Schroeder, national president; Clara M. Gallagher, past national president.

Commander in Chief GAY. I would like to announce some appointments. For adjutant general we want to continue with Colonel Martin in that capacity, and I appoint him. I am just praying to God he will carry through. He is a most magnanimous man and he is worthy of everything the Grand Army can give him.

For Judge Advocate, Comrade T. J. Noll, of Iowa. I would like to appoint you as judge advocate. We have to have a lawyer, and he is a lawyer.

Comrade NOLL. I just got through with that job.

Secretary FLOOD. That is what you thought.

Commander in Chief GAY. You look to me as though you would be able to continue another year.

Secretary FLOOD. Commander in Chief, do you want to hear from these national presidents before you take up your budget?

Commander in Chief GAY. Yes; I would love to. I would love to hear from everyone.

Secretary FLOOD. Mrs. May Luchsinger, of Wisconsin, is the president-elect of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Mrs. LUCHSINGER. This is indeed a great honor. I had the privilege of attending the banquet in Chicago with you last February. I hardly realized that I would see you again here today, but I do want you to know that I can hardly tell you what a great honor it is to me to have this year ahead of me and to be able to serve the Grand Army in any capacity in which you can call for us.

The Woman's Relief Corps will always be ready. I think we always have been, and you can count on us for everything that you want. Just tell us what you want and we will be ready. I thank you for this privilege of seeing you today.

Secretary FLOOD. Then we have present the national president of the Ladies of the Grand Army, Mrs. Nellie K. Stammel.

Mrs. STAMMEL. Commander in Chief and comrades, I am sort of confused. I am just on the fence. Our new president has not yet been elected. But I am glad to be here, comrades, and happy to meet with you again. I had the privilege of meeting with you earlier in the week. I think many of you will remember that I strained my back at that time and thought I was not going to be able to get through. But I did, and I am just happy to be back with you again and bring you the love and good wishes of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Secretary FLOOD. The new national president of the Daughters of Union Veterans, Mrs. Glennola Sill, of Chicago.

Mrs. SILL. Commander in Chief, our beloved comrades, and representatives of the affiliated organizations, this is one of the proudest moments of my life to stand before you here today and to look into your dear faces and to pledge you the support of our organization, the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-65. We learned our lessons of patriotism at your knee. We were brought up to be dutiful daughters and we will continue to be dutiful and will continue to be loyal to you. We pledge to you to do the best we possibly can to carry out the principles for which you fought and for which you have lived all these years.

My daddy was an Ohio soldier. He enlisted from Marietta, Ohio. I am an only child, and I need not tell you I was a spoiled one, because I was my daddy's idol and he was mine. He used to say to me when one convention was over, "Baby, I will put my uniform away until the next time. We'll be going next year." And I would say, "Daddy, I won't need to put mine away because I have to have a new one for the next time." Year in and year out we went, and after my



beloved father was taken then I became active in the Daughters, and it has been very happy for me because I know I am doing the thing that he would want me to do.

And any courtesy or anything that I can do in the way of service or help to you beloved Boys in Blue, to whom we owe a debt we can never repay, I am glad and happy to do it. And my beloved Comrade Myers sitting right here, of George H. Thomas Post No. 5 in Chicago, we have been working together many years, and I am so happy that he is here today.

God bless you every one and protect you and keep you during the year. And as the sister from the Relief Corps has said they will do anything they can for you, your Daughters stand ready and willing to assist you and to hold up your hands in every way possible during this year. I thank you.

Secretary FLOOD. Now the commander in chief of the Sons of Union Veterans, Brother Lambert, of New Jersey.

Commander in Chief LAMBERT. Commander Gay, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, heads of the affiliated societies, it is a pleasure to be permitted to sit with you today. On behalf of my organization I want to thank you for that privilege.

Sixty years ago—for this is our sixtieth encampment—the organization of Sons of Union Veterans was formed. In that 60 years we have attempted to show you the purpose of our organization is to be a living memorial to the Grand Army of the Republic, and by so doing we could interest any children of sons—the grandsons and great grandsons—to follow on into future generations. That has been borne out by this encampment, for in electing me to the position of commander in chief they have elected a grandson, which I believe is the first time that has happened. We want you to know that in line your sons and your grandsons and your great grandsons are active in our organization. We stand ready and willing and we call on you and plead with you to call on us more often. If there is anything more that we can do we want to do it, if you will just inform us of that. Thank you.

Secretary FLOOD. The newly elected president of the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary is Mrs. Schroeder, of New Jersey.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, and comrades, allied heads, both has-beens and present, not having been installed as national head—I was just elected a short time ago—my message will be brief. But I wish to pledge to Comrade Gay and all the other allied heads the support of our organization. Speaking of relatives, I happen to be a granddaughter as well as Brother Lambert is a grandson. So you see we are carrying on just as you would want us to. Thank you.

Secretary FLOOD. Now Mrs. Grace Willard is here in place of Mrs. Hahn, who is presiding at her convention. Mrs. Willard is a past national president, from California. Do you want to come up here?

Mrs. WILLARD. Commander in Chief Comrade Gay, comrades of the Grand Army, the newly elected heads of the affiliated orders, past presiding heads, I am very happy to have the privilege of representing Mrs. Grace Hahn, the outgoing president of the Women's Relief Corps. She perhaps will come. I will go in in a moment and see if she can come. There was some business pending, and she sent me to represent



her for the time being, and it is a privilege. I am sure that you have learned to know and to love our president, Mrs. Hahn. She has tried to do everything that she could for you all the year. And now we have Mrs. May Luchsinger, who will continue the grand, good work. Thank you, comrades.

Secretary FLOOD. Mrs. Edwina Trigg, past national president, Ladies of the G. A. R. I don't think she has ever been here before.

Mrs. TRIGG. She is trying to make fun of me, because I have been here three times. Seems like it is my privilege to come.

Comrade Gay, newly elected heads of the different organizations, Sister Katharine Flood, and the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, I think I was one of the first who came here to see you when this sort of an organization was first formed, or the first time that you allowed us to sit with you in your council of administration. And I was very privileged to do this, because I felt that our organization as the second organization in the Grand Army family should take its place, as all the others, as you were growing so you could not altogether—well, do the thing that you would want to do. But there are some things that you might want, and I pledged myself then, and I pledge myself now, to do everything in the world that I can from now to the end when I leave this world.

You know those of us who are here now did what we thought was right to do, and I am so glad to see the young people take their places in our organization. We who are older feel we have done a great deal. We like to tell the others how to do it. But somehow you know there are always new ways and progressive ways; there are things that make for better things altogether in our organization.

I know why you have lived so long in your lives—I can feel that I do. It is because you have thought right. You have been sane and sensible, and you have lived to see things and have adjusted yourself to the years as they came along. No one can stand back in these days. We have to meet the emergencies as they come, and we must take the bitter with the sweet, adjust ourselves to this way of living, and then carry on to the best of our ability, giving our help to those who follow us rather than hindering.

I want to say that I don't think Comrade Gay knows me, but I remember him very well. I think I ate dinner with him in New Hampshire in 1938. I don't think he will remember me because, of course, I have grown younger. Of course, I am growing younger each year and he would not know me because I am getting so young. But I was very happy indeed to break bread with him in New Hampshire when the convention met, his department convention, there in Concord. I remember seeing Mrs. Haskell, who was here with you last year.

I am very glad and happy to be here. You know when we have said enough it is time for us to stop. [Amplifier whistles.] There is one gentle way of telling a speaker when to stop. I am glad to be here. I hope it is my privilege to come many times again. I am wishing you all the joy in your convention and throughout your life. May God keep you through the year, that you may meet your comrades again next year. Thank you very much.

Secretary FLOOD. This is Mrs. Mattie Tucker, present national president of the Daughters of Veterans, but she won't be tonight.

Mrs. TUCKER. Commander in Chief Gay, are we acquainted?

Commander in Chief GAY. We certainly are.



Mrs. TUCKER. Commander in Chief Gay comes from my own Massachusetts Department; and comrades and distinguished guests present, I am not a speech maker. I just talk from my heart to the comrades.

I want to say to you that we have a beautiful little lady as our next national president, who has worked for a long, long time for the comrades in various ways, and I know she will do for you just as much as I have tried to do this year—and probably more. I have worked very hard this year, endeavoring to get a larger amount to celebrate your diamond jubilee, and I was just a little bit afraid that I would not reach the amount that I had sort of decided upon—but I did, and \$100 more.

And I do feel that my girls were just grand this year to do for our comrades whom we love and from whom we received our wonderful heritage. We shall always be proud of it.

Our association this year with the royal family was really wonderful. All the lady members of the family were congenial, and we always had such a pleasant time. Our commander in chief was such a lovely gentleman, and our commander in chief of the Sons of Veterans was an inspiration to us all, and the beautiful tributes he paid to our Grand Army of the Republic.

To Commander Gay, who comes from the Massachusetts Department and whom I have known for a number of years, I certainly extend to him my sincere congratulations. Though I go out of office and will be a has-been, he will be with me in Massachusetts, because I have been living in Rhode Island for the last 5 years with my daughter, and she is going to move to Massachusetts the 1st of October. So I shall anticipate all the wonderful things we will do in Massachusetts for our high official.

I also am very proud of the fact that Sister Katharine R. A. Flood is one of my own dear sisters from Massachusetts. So Massachusetts feels that they are marching on this year, as well as they marched on last year.

I thank you comrades. I was here at the other meeting. This is the second meeting I have attended. I have enjoyed them very much, and it has been very restful to me to sit here and listen to these wonderful remarks of these different speakers.

I congratulate the grandson of the Sons of Veterans as commander in chief, but he will forgive me if I tell him that again from Massachusetts we did have a grandson, Dr. Homan, who was commander in chief. I just hope that he remembers that or knows of it. But he also was a grandson. How perfectly splendid it is that our grandsons and our granddaughters are carrying on the work and will continue to carry it on.

I haven't anything further to say only to say, God bless you, and I wish you every success in your lives and I hope you will be with us for a good many years to come, comrades, because you always will be an inspiration to us. Thank you.

Secretary FLOOD. The outgoing commander in chief of the Sons of Union Veterans, Dr. Craig.

Dr. CRAIG. Thank you, Miss Flood. Comrade Gay, we certainly want to extend to you our heartfelt congratulations and best wishes for a fine administration during this coming year.



I want to say to you, comrades, that I appreciate very, very much the fine opportunities and privileges that have been mine this past year in being associated with Comrade Nixon, your commander in chief, and these presidents of these various women's organizations. And of course that goes also for your secretary, Miss Katharine Flood. It certainly has been a real joy to be with all of you; and like the rest of them I sincerely hope and pray that your lives, the lives of all of you, will be spared, and that when we come together in the next national encampment we will have the privilege of seeing all of you present in person; and as Tiny Tim would say, "God bless you every one."

Secretary FLOOD. Mrs. Clara Gallagher, retiring president of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans.

Mrs. GALLAGHER. Commander in chief Gay, I am very happy to greet you and extend to you our sincere wishes and support.

Newly elected national heads of the royal family, to my old pals of the official family and has-beens, to my "Mom," I want to bring you my greetings. I hope it is not going to be my last. I am not a has-been yet because my national president has not been installed. But I want you Grand Army men, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, to know that it has been the greatest pleasure of my life to travel with Past Commander in Chief Comrade Nixon and you comrades and your wonderful secretary here. She has adopted me—she thought for 1 year—as I told Comrade Nixon the other night, but she has adopted me forever, because I am not going to belong to her—she is going to belong to me. She has given me lots of advice this year and I have accepted it and taken it and I have always done the right thing. So I just want to wish for you all continued good health, continued happiness, and that you at all times, Comrade Gay and this wonderful organization, have the loyal support of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. "Ask and you shall receive," and that is what we mean. We will give it to you. Thank you.

Secretary FLOOD. I just want to tell you that I retired 25 years ago as the national president of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Sister Gallagher's mother retired as the national president of the Auxiliary to the Sons. I was the baby of the official family that year, and we always called her mother "Mother Meis," and so now that she has become national president she calls me "Mom."

Commander in Chief, it is customary at this meeting for you to adopt your budget for the coming year. The comrades who have usually taken care of that are not here. But as I look over the figures it seems to me, with the expense of moving the headquarters to Springfield, Ill., in the near future for a year's trial, that we should adopt the same budget. It does not seem advisable to try to make a lower budget. Your budget last year was \$5,100. That was \$2,000 for the salaries of the secretary, the adjutant general, and the quartermaster general. It was \$800 travel for the commander in chief, and \$600 travel money for all other purposes—your executive committee meeting and your legislative committee if they had to go to Washington. I don't see how you can expect to operate on less than that. And that would leave you \$1,700 for all other expenses, which will not be spent



if it does not have to be. What do the comrades think of that budget?

Commander in Chief GAY. I would just like to make a few remarks here concerning this budget. In order to pay these expenses and still be as conservative as we can be we certainly should have a budget that is large enough to do the proper things that should be done. Of course, you know traveling expenses today are very high, very costly. We should have money enough so that we could carry on in the way that has been carried on, even if we have to have a few dollars more which I believe we need. She knows more about this than I do. I am a greenhorn at it, but I will find out. And so I say that I hope that we shall have enough, that you will work this problem out so that we shall not have any less but that we may have a few hundred dollars more if it is possible. We haven't much money in the treasury, have we?

Secretary FLOOD. We have in the permanent fund which can be called on if the budget permits you to call on it—the report of the trust company of Pittsburgh, the custodian of the permanent fund, is \$1,240.96 in cash and \$4,000 in 4½ percent bonds. So you have \$1,240.96 available.

I want to make a confession, that our travel this year exceeded \$1,400 by \$16, but that was due to the second transfer of the headquarters to Washington.

Commander in Chief GAY. I would like to ask a question, because you are more enlightened than I am. How much do you really think that we should have over and above what we have had for the past year, and make it so that it will be honest and just? We don't want to skimp too much and we don't want too large a budget. We just want enough to get by.

Secretary FLOOD. Commander in Chief, last year at your council I told you you should not skimp your commander in chief to the absolute budget. Nobody knows what is going to happen. The death of Commander Andrew last year increased our expenses and we exceeded the budget. We had no authority to but somebody had to pay the bills. They were Grand Army expenses and the members of the executive committee said: "Pay those bills. It is our money and they are our debts."

And so I do feel that you should not limit your commander in chief to the extent that if anything unusual comes up he will feel he cannot represent the Grand Army of the Republic in the way that he should because you have stinted him. Your commanders in chief in the past, up to 3 or 4 years ago, spent unlimited amounts of money. Your commanders now don't expect to. But if you ask me, frankly I feel you should give your commander in chief this year \$1,000 for travel for himself and his wife. He will not go without her, and at his age you should not ask him to. But I do believe that that is the very least amount you should give him for his traveling this year. That would increase your budget to \$5,300.

You had given you for your general fund the other night \$3,800. We will probably receive in per capita tax this coming year five or six hundred more, and with that added to that 3,800 you would need to draw 1,000 from your permanent fund before the year was up. We have it in cash. You would not have to sell any of those \$4,000 of bonds.

That is something for this committee to decide. But knowing the calls made on the commander in chief, and knowing the need for him to have his wife travel with him, I do feel you should give him that thousand dollars.

Commander in Chief GAY. Comrades, you heard what the secretary has said. Now it is up to you.

Secretary FLOOD. These ladies are going back to their conventions. They are not walking out on your speech, but they must go back to their business sessions. (The ladies on the visiting delegations retired.)

Your commander in chief has asked me to tell you what I thought about your budget. The Grand Army of the Republic—I don't like to say this to you, comrades, but you have told me so yourselves—is living on borrowed time, like a lot of us. And why not go out in your last few years with the proper dignity that you have always had, and don't cheapen your commander in chief by stinting him in the amount of money too closely. I do feel that \$1,000 for himself and his wife to travel in a year is a small amount. All of these other national officers get more than that for themselves, and our people do want to see their commander in chief. I think these commanders in chief will bear us out in that.

Dr. CRAIG. That is right.

Commander in Chief LAMBERT. That is right.

Secretary FLOOD. You are to us the royalty of the United States, and we want people to know our commanders. And if you were to ask me the amount of the budget that I would place I would say \$5,500 to cover emergencies, but keep as close to the budgets for all other expenses as you possibly can during the year. That does not mean we are going to spend it, but it does mean if something comes up that the money is there to pay the bills, and we won't have to worry, as I did last year after Commander Andrew's death as to whether I might be called on to take out of my pocket the money that I had spent in excess of the budget. Your commander should not have that worry, either. You have the money, and, as all the ladies going out said, when it is gone you will have more.

Now the commander, I think, would like a motion. Comrade Fogler, did you hear that? Did you hear what I had to say? What do you think about a budget of \$5,500? It has been \$5,100, but we haven't had one penny to use outside of that for any emergencies that might come up. They feel that the commander should have a thousand for his travel instead of \$800, because his wife will go everywhere he goes.

Comrade FOGLER. I think his allowance should be increased.

Secretary FLOOD. The commander cannot do this, and the senior vice is not here. Will you ask them what they think of a thousand dollars travel for the commander?

Junior Vice Commander in Chief DUMSER. Commander in chief and comrades, we are face to face with the situation, and our dear secretary has made it very plain to us what the situation is. It seems to the speaker that her suggestion and recommendations are entirely within reason and very appropriate, and it is my own feeling, having been on the executive committee for the past year, and on the council of administration, and having audited the records of last year, that



we are well within our duty if we make the increase that our secretary recommends, and I would like to hear what you have to say about it.

Comrade EASTERLY. Commander, I believe that her statement is right at the facts, and we should pass a resolution here granting a budget of \$5,500, and that \$1,000 of that be appropriated to the commander in chief for his year's traveling expenses. I make that as a motion. [Motion seconded.]

Junior Vice Commander in Chief DUMSER. The motion has been made and seconded. Are there any remarks? Let's think clearly about this matter and be very careful that we make no mistakes. I think we are on the right track. Are there any other remarks to be made? [Calls for the question.] The question is called for. You are ready for the motion, ready for the vote? Those in favor of the motion that is made and seconded will please manifest it by saying "Aye." Are there any noes? The motion prevails and you have made that amount of money available with the understanding that it will be used with great caution and the endeavor also to hold to \$5,300 as closely as we can.

Secretary FLOOD. Now, comrades, you voted this morning to establish your headquarters for the coming year in Springfield. My understanding is that that will not be ready for a couple of months. The treasurer of the Relief Corps has to arrive there with their supplies and get settled before I arrive with my boxes and bundles and trunks. and that means that we will stay in Washington probably for 2 or 3 months. Your committee that were handling other matters came in here with a recommendation to increase my salary, and I objected to that. I can live in Springfield on my salary, but I cannot live in Washington on my salary. It costs what I am receiving to live there under present conditions.

Commander in Chief GAY. If there is no objection I would like to say just a few words to the comrades. I would like you comrades to understand that I want to represent you as best I can, and I don't want to be expensive to you. But I do feel that this national should have a fair representation over the country and it costs money to travel, and I am very thankful that you were willing to give us just a little more for that budget. And I assure you Miss Flood will see that I don't have any more than I need. I thank you.

Past Commander in Chief NIXON (entering the room). A message from Colonel Martin.

Secretary FLOOD (reading):

LOS ANGELES, CALIF., September 18, 1941.

Comrade W. W. NIXON,  
Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic,  
Columbus, Ohio:

Wire received. Give my loving blessing to the members of the Grand Army of the Republic, and I am wishing them success. Lovingly,

Col. R. C. MARTIN,  
Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic.

He has not been informed yet that he has been reappointed.

Commander in Chief Nixon, come up and visit us. All the rest of the has-beens have been here and gone except Dr. Craig. Commander Nixon, they have just adopted a little enlarged budget for next year, giving Comrade Gay \$1,000 traveling for himself and his wife. We have a budget of \$5,500, less \$200 for any emergencies that may arise.



Comrade NOLL. I just want to say a few words, but I will not get up there. The secretary will spend some time in Washington—she said perhaps 2 months—and her expenses are a good deal higher there than in any other place. I suggest that she keep an account of her additional expenses at least, and that we make an appropriation to cover those expenses.

Secretary FLOOD. \$25 would cover it a month, Comrade Noll.

Commander in Chief GAY. Do you make that as a motion?

Comrade NOLL. Yes.

Commander in Chief GAY. Do I hear a second? [Motion seconded.] That there be money enough appropriated. Are you willing to appropriate enough to her to pay for her extra expenses? All in favor of the motion——

Comrade FOGLER. The commander should travel in keeping with the dignity of his position. If it is necessary, he ought to have it.

Secretary FLOOD. The subject they are talking on now is allowing sufficient money to me for the 3 months I must remain in Washington before moving, to cover my extra expenses down there. I suggest \$25 a month would cover it.

Comrade FOGLER. You should live like a lady.

Secretary FLOOD. I try to do credit to the Grand Army and my father's and mother's teachings.

Commander in Chief GAY. Comrades, you hear the remarks of your secretary. She says \$25 would be enough for each month.

Comrade NOLL. \$25 a month for the 2 months—\$50.

Secretary FLOOD. It may not be that long. It may be 3 months.

Commander in Chief GAY. Whatever it is. All in favor of that motion, which has been seconded, will please say "Aye." Contrary minded? It is a vote.

Secretary FLOOD. Thank you, comrades. Is there any other business to come before the meeting? Has anyone anything they want to say? Tommy, do you want to make a speech?

Comrade STRITCH. No; no.

Secretary FLOOD. Nothing to say. Comrade Snow?

Comrade SNOW. Nothing.

Secretary FLOOD. How about Comrade Penland? He sings. He does not talk; he sings. Comrade Gabrio?

Comrade GABRIO. Not at present.

Secretary FLOOD. Comrade Easterly?

Comrade EASTERLY. I want to say that that increase of your salary is very conservative. I would have made it a hundred dollars—all the expense and trouble.

Secretary FLOOD. No; but I do feel that I should have \$5 left after I pay my bills.

Comrade NOLL. If I have been appointed judge advocate I suppose that I should be installed.

Secretary FLOOD. You were installed as judge advocate last year, and that will hold you over. You are judge advocate until your successor is installed.

Comrade NOLL. I haven't had very much to do as judge advocate. I don't want to enter upon those duties without being installed. I believe I had nothing to do during the last year.

Secretary FLOOD. He will install you if you insist upon it.

Commander in Chief GAY. That is not necessary because you are holding the same office that you held last year, and until somebody is appointed in your place you will still hold the same office that you had last year.

Junior Vice Commander in Chief DUMSER. Comrade Commander, it occurs to me inasmuch as we are assembled to complete our work here in this encampment that perhaps we ought to give a little further consideration to the question involved in locating our encampment for the next year. We ought at least to have an understanding about it.

Secretary FLOOD. It was left to the executive committee, which has not been appointed yet. And Mrs. Stammel told me just now that she had talked to Indianapolis and nobody there would give her any satisfaction, and the gentleman with whom she had previously conversed was in Chicago. So it is just as it was this morning.

Commander in Chief GAY. And that is the reason, Comrade, that we could not finish that business this morning.

Secretary FLOOD. Comrade Myers, you have something to say?

Comrade MYERS. Yes; I have.

Secretary FLOOD. This comrade will be a hundred years old in November. You should hear him recite "Thanatopsis" at the close of the chaplain's part in the memorial service.

Comrade NOLL. They tell me my great-grandfather rode horseback on his one-hundred-and-fourth birthday. I expect to live to be a hundred.

Comrade MYERS. I believe Mr. Lincoln hoped to see the day when there would not be a slave nor a drunkard in this country. My ambition goes a little farther and is founded not so much on the political efforts that are being made along that line but moral as well as political. I would like to see the day when, in addition to Mr. Lincoln's hope that there would not be a drunkard nor a slave in this country, there would not be a pauper nor a criminal. I know that humanly speaking that is not to be expected, but in Christian America, which America ought to be, because God Almighty, in my opinion, has been the cause of our prosperity. In our Declaration of Independence we did not appeal to a God of battles but to a God of justice and truth and righteousness, and America has succeeded in her efforts to establish a government on the glorious principles which have been here established, and I claim, and am sincere in the opinion, that the form of government under which we live is the noblest and best that was ever devised by human wisdom.

But I believe that we have not come as far as it is possible for us. I believe it is all right to aim high. It is said that the archer who aims at the sun will shoot farther than he would if he aimed at the bush. I think we cannot set our stakes too high. I believe with God Almighty on our side we cannot only strive to build but we can build in America a country in which there will not be a criminal, a pauper, a slave, or a drunkard. My idea is that we ought to have that goal to aim at. We, of course, will never live to see the adoption of all those four glorious conditions but we can strive for it and, in doing so, we will do better for God Almighty and our country than we will if our aim is lower.



That is all I wish to say. I think we ought to do the best we can and aim the highest.

Secretary FLOOD. Has any other comrade anything he would like to say? Any other comrade want to speak? I know you would like to have a word from your retiring commander in chief, Comrade Nixon.

Past Commander in Chief NIXON. Well, I am always glad to meet with the comrades; always glad to hear from you. I am thinking about you when I am at home. Of course, I am past commander, but I am going to be thinking of you, and I am going to try and go to all the national encampments as they come around; if my health keeps the way I am today I am going to attend all of them. I hope to meet you boys there next year, wherever it is. [Applause.]

Secretary FLOOD. I want to tell you that of all the commanders I have worked under I don't think any of them have gotten quite the kick out of the office, or the pleasure, that Comrade Nixon has.

Now, has anyone else anything to say? It is up to you to adjourn, Comrade.

Commander in Chief GAY. If we have no other business to perform today, if somebody will make a motion——

Secretary FLOOD. You can adjourn sine die.

Commander in Chief GAY. I adjourn you sine die.

Comrade STORMES. I move we adjourn. [Motion seconded.]

Commander in Chief GAY. All in favor of adjourning please say "Aye." Contrary minded, "No." We have adjourned.



MEMORIAL SERVICES  
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JOINT MEMORIAL SERVICES IN MEMORIAL HALL, COLUMBUS, OHIO, SUNDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 14, 1941,  
8 P. M.

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Hon. Paul M. Herbert, Lieutenant Governor of Ohio, and chairman of the encampment committee, presiding.

(Music, United States Marine Band, Capt. William F. Santelmann, leader.)

Chairman HERBERT. Commander in Chief Nixon of the Grand Army of the Republic and members of your command and the allied organizations, and friends of America, you have been hearing from one of the finest, if not the finest, musical organizations in the world. [Applause.] And it is appropriate in the first formal session, the memorial session, to open the program with a selection by that great band.

May I give you this suggestion, and I know that you will follow it. This is a memorial occasion. This is the session where the members of the Grand Army living pay their tribute to their comrades dead. Therefore, being such a solemn occasion, may we request that there be no applause.

(Selection, United States Marine Band.)

Chairman HERBERT. The invocation will be pronounced by the pastor of the Independent Protestant Church, the Reverend E. Stacey Matheny. Will the audience please rise and stand in reverence?

Reverend Mr. MATHENY. Almighty God and Father of us all, we praise Thee for our American ideas and ideals, for our history and our traditions. Help us to appreciate deeply the heritage of our fathers. Thou hast laid the foundation for our Republic; Thou hast established it as a home for the oppressed.

We thank Thee for God-given leaders in the past, for the men of yesterday who live, we know, today. We rejoice in their unselfish service, for their Christlike thoughts and noble achievements. May the inspiration of their lives help us to make a better world in which to live.

O God, bless the leadership of today, the President of the United States, the Governor of every State or Commonwealth, and all associated with them in the administration of government. Thou hast made it clear that the nation that serves Thee shall prosper and the nation that disobeys Thee shall perish.

O God, our Father, we would not forget to pray for the nations in need, for all of the people who are baptized in blood and fire, and for all who suffer from pestilence and hunger. Out of the depths we lift our voices to Thee: Save the nations or they perish.

O God, our Father, lift our souls to Thee, and in this hour we rejoice in that truly American spirit that builds no monuments to evildoers,



but only to the men and women who worship Thee in service and high purpose. Let Thy blessing be upon us in this hour in this memorial service.

We come here tonight to honor our soldiers who served the Nation from '61 to '65. May we ever hold sacred the memory of the men who organized our Government, the brave soldiers who fought our battles, the wisdom of the statesmen that breathed their spirits into our sacred institutions. We rejoice in the deeds of heroism and valor and super-human endurance.

O God, we pray that Thou wilt watch over the men who made the supreme sacrifice, those who are sleeping the sleep that knows no human awakening. They died that liberty and freedom might live. O God, our Father, we cannot exalt the dead. We can only honor ourselves in holding sacred their memories and earnestly striving to live for the truth for which they died.

Our Fathers' God, to Thee,  
Author of Liberty,  
To Thee we sing;  
Long may our land be bright  
With freedom's holy light,  
Protect us by Thy might,  
Great God, our king.

(Amen.)

(Anthem, Columbus Republican Glee Club.)

Chairman HERBERT. We appreciate that your applause is only perfectly natural after hearing so beautiful an anthem, but may we not remember that this is a memorial service and that it should be surrounded with all of the dignity and quietude possible.

This is the seventy-fifth annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. The placing of floral wreaths has been a part of these memorial services for many years. These tributes are placed by the heads of the organizations that are allied with the Grand Army of the Republic and by the commander of the Grand Army.

Placing of floral tributes on an easel by:

William W. Nixon, commander in chief, Grand Army of the Republic.

Grace Houlette Hahn, national president, Woman's Relief Corps.

Nellie K. Stammel, national president, Ladies of the G. A. R.

Mattie Reason Tucker, national president, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Dr. J. Kirkwood Craig, commander in chief, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Clara M. Gallagher, national president, Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

(Music, United States Marine Band.)

(God Bless America, Columbus Republican Glee Club.)

Chairman HERBERT. To give the memorial address on this occasion, the tribute of the living comrade to his dead comrade, it is only natural that the Grand Army should select a veteran. There is a close tie between the veterans of all wars. We of more recent wars have always held in the highest esteem and admiration our seniors, the veterans of the Grand Army and the veterans of the Spanish-American War.

Our speaker this evening is a Member of Congress. He is closely in touch with the great and perplexing problems that mar the skies of

our country's destiny, serving on some of the outstanding committees. But when we in Ohio, particularly we here in Columbus, were favored by having the seventy-fifth annual encampment of the Grand Army here, our Congressman introduced the legislation and secured the consent of the Government of our country to make possible the presence here today and tonight and this week of the Marine Corps Band. That legislation he put through both Houses of our National Legislature and the same was signed by the President of the United States. So we do have recognition of our great Federal Government and its good wishes throughout this convention.

As a personal friend of the speaker, and one who knows him, his faith in his country and his faith in the people's ability to govern themselves, as a veteran of the World War, a real American, for your memorial address the Chair is proud to present the Congressman of the Twelfth District of Ohio, the Honorable John M. Vorys.

Mr. VORYS. Comrade Chairman Governor Herbert of the encampment committee, Commander Nixon, members of the seventy-fifth G. A. R. encampment, and affiliated and auxiliary organizations, I deem it a great privilege to be permitted to take a part in this memorial service where you pause before you enter into the business of your encampment and into the pleasures of the encampment, to pay your respect and your tribute to our soldier dead.

You have met three times in Columbus. This is the third time. The first was in 1888. I was just thinking that that was just as long after the Civil War as it is now after the World War. I was trying to date you with reference to myself and my comrade, Paul Herbert, and the other World War veterans here. You were young men. Many of you have been grandfathers and great grandfathers since that time. When you were here in Columbus in 1888 you looked upon the world perhaps a little more the way I do and those of the younger generation.

But you are here again, and before we go forward to pay our tribute to the dead I wish to have the privilege of paying my tribute to the living members of the Grand Army of the Republic. All of you are more than the fourscore years and seven that Abraham Lincoln gave as the age of our country in 1863. You are older than our country was when you fought.

You have come to our city, and your coming here and everything you do requires rare and constant courage. One of my teachers in college was William Lyon Phelps—Billy Phelps—you may have read of him. He pointed out to us the marvelously constant courage of old people. He said: "If you young fellows want to cross the street wheré there are automobiles, you don't worry. You can run if they start to hit you, and if they do hit you nothing very serious will happen. But for an old person—they cannot run any more. They don't dare hasten, and an injury means certain death." All the little acts of life that to those of us who are younger are casual matters, many of those acts for the older people are acts that are fraught with sudden danger—danger of injury and death.

And so I say to you men of the Grand Army of the Republic, you old men here, that as you face your daily life, as you face the nearing of the setting sun and the certainty that the day is not yet far when you will join your comrades, I say to you that you not only have our love but that your daily courage in facing life as an old person faces



it commands our respect and is a great example to us in facing the far smaller trials that we meet from day to day.

And if I should say a word to the rest of you on behalf of these men who have led such eventful and illustrious lives and are still with us, I would say in the words of Browning, in his Rabbi Ben Ezra:

Grow old along with me!  
The best is yet to be,  
The last of life, for which the first was made.

So before we go forward, I pay my tribute to the Boys in Blue, these brave men that I see before me and sitting on the platform.

We are here tonight, those of us who are present in the flesh, the Grand Army, its auxiliary organizations, its friends here in this city, to pay a tribute to those who have departed. And absent in the flesh but here in the spirit are those who died during the Civil War; next, those of the comrades of the G. A. R. who have died in the years as they have gone on; and, third, in our minds this evening are all of the patriot dead of this country. Then we join with them and they join with us, and we are together, not in the flesh but in the spirit, tonight in memory.

For memory is a mysterious thing, this God-given power that man has to conjure up the past, to live with those who are no longer living. To live with those who are no longer present is a precious gift, one of the precious possessions of mankind, and a mysterious possession. Abraham Lincoln understood it, and he understood the importance of memory in connection with patriotism and the importance of turning our memory to ancient days to arouse our patriotism. In his First Inaugural address before a man had fallen in the Civil War, when he was still considering how to prevent the Civil War, you remember those matchless words when he turned and said:

The mystic chords of memory, stretching from every battlefield and patriot grave to every living heart and hearthstone all over this broad land, will yet swell the chorus of the Union when again touched, as surely they will be, by the better angels of our nature.

And although the Civil War had to be fought and won before the angels of the better nature of some in this land were touched, we know that he was prophetic and he was sure that "the mystic chords of memory" stretching from these battlefields and patriot graves would once more swell in "the chorus of the Union."

And Abraham Lincoln understood something else, that just as memory is necessary to the understanding and appreciation of music, so music is itself the language of memory. If we did not have memory, if we could not remember the notes that have gone before in a song, if all we were able to do was to comprehend a passing note in a song, we could not appreciate music. And in the same serious way music itself serves to stir and touch the stretched chords of memory. And that is why it is so fit that we should have music as a part of this memorial service and as a part of this encampment. That is why I am so grateful for the privilege I had of putting through the Congress the legislation which authorized the bringing of the United States Marine Band to Columbus to this encampment. And that is why, Captain Santelmann, I say to you and your men of the Marine Corps Band that you are performing a patriotic service here to our community, to our visitors, to the members of the encampment, for that



thrilling, stirring, moving music of yours, inspiring us to a higher, finer patriotism.

And I say to you men of the Republican Glee Club that you, too, have shown that you have that moving power, that mystic power to stir the chords of memory and inspire us to a higher patriotism.

When we think of music, how it brings back memories just to hear the old songs, "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp," "Rally Round the Flag, Boys," "Tenting Tonight on the Old Campground," "We Are Coming, Father Abraham, 600,000 Strong," "Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory," how it helps to bring back to us the scenes that we once more relive. Bull Run, where the fine ladies and the politicians in Washington rode out in their tallyhos with their picnic baskets to see the fun. Two green armies fought and each one found that although the other was green it was tough indeed, because it was made up of Americans. We found we had a war on our hands.

Then the Peninsular Campaign, when a well-trained and equipped army found that another well-trained and equipped army was making impossible a short cut to victory. And the battles of 1862—Shiloh, where Ohio men fought and bled and died on that sunny Sunday morning. And the Atlanta Campaign when Gen. William Tecumseh Sherman, who was born in my native place of Lancaster, Ohio, and who was a great friend of my mother's family, that matchless general, skillfully and without great losses, brought his army against the equally skillful Joe Johnston down to Atlanta, and captured Atlanta and went on to the sea.

And Vicksburg, and Gettysburg—that greatest battle in the world for 50 years, that battle when Armistead with his hat on the end of his sword fell, marking the high tide of the Confederacy, and the fields and the hillsides were red with the blood of slaughtered men of both sides.

And then through the campaigns of the next year, those bloody campaigns, until finally came Appomattox and we could sing once more:

Thus be it ever when freeman shall stand  
Between their loved home and wild war's desolation;  
Blest with victory and peace, may the heaven-rescued land  
Praise the power that hath made and preserved us a nation.  
Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,  
And this be our motto, "In God is our trust."

And we sang, "Glory, Glory, Hallelujah, His Truth is Marching On."

We honor all the soldier dead. We soldiers are able to do honor to the dead of our side or the other side. I personally have never known a veteran of any war who carried in his heart any hatred for his enemies in the war that was gone. Here in this city we have a cemetery of Confederate graves—out on the west side—where we do honor to the Confederate dead. I have known men of the World War who have done honor to the German dead who fell. And through all of our wars we have places and times when we honor the dead of all nations—all of the soldier dead.

We all must die sometime. "Greater love hath no man than that he lay down his life for another." We honor that sacrifice, that spirit of sacrifice which resulted in the supreme sacrifice for all soldiers who died on the field of battle.

We know that all of our soldier dead have not died in vain. We know that some have died in vain. In Washington, in the Congress, we serve with our colleagues from the Southern States and they have their ties of memory, and we are very polite down there and we refer to the War between the States. And in the Capitol Building we have statues of Robert E. Lee and of other Confederate veterans. And we are very tactful and sportsmanlike, representing the tact and the sportsmanship of the American people.

But I think at times down there, and I think at times like this, it is well to remember that—although we are anxious to bind up the wounds and heal the scars, and be good sports and friendly and tactful, and we have no division now—the South lost the war. And it was necessary that the South should lose the war, for they were wrong; and it was necessary to the preservation of this country that the Union should win the Civil War. And if we are honest with ourselves we face the fact that in many wars in the past and probably in the struggles to come there have been and will be brave men who died in vain.

Now when we look at the scene around us at present and the trying period of the future, when we see this day of crisis and perplexity and confusion, when liberty is in danger from foes from without and from within, when there are forces not only from without but from within, not only from the bottom but from the top, tendencies that would take away our liberties, when we realize that unity, which is the true spirit of America, is endangered, when we strive to find what should be the course of unity, we then need to gain strength from these struggles that have passed on before.

I know that the questions that lie about us and ahead are difficult. So far as I am concerned, we need only one kind of unity, and that is American. I sympathize with those whose ties of blood make them sympathetic, particularly sympathetic to particular lands across the seas, but so far as hyphenated allegiance is concerned, in this time and in no other time have we any place in America for dual allegiance, hyphenated German-Americans or Latin-Americans or British-Americans, as far as I am concerned.

And yet recognizing that, I know—I know too keenly from my assignment and my place on the foreign affairs committee—how serious and how perplexing the problems are that lie immediately ahead. When unity and liberty are in danger, it seems to me that we can unite in one determination, one stern and adamant determination, and that is that those who fought and died to preserve our Union and our liberty shall not have died in vain. If that be our motto, if that be our object, the path ahead will be easy.

Now how can we do this? How can we be worthy of the sacrifice they have made? How can we show our respect, our honor to their memories? How can we pay tribute? There is one way, and Abraham Lincoln understood it. In his matchless Gettysburg Address he mapped with prophetic insight the way in which we could be worthy of this sacrifice.

But Abraham Lincoln made a mistake in the Gettysburg Address. Two years ago my son and I—he was then 11 years old—just about Lincoln's birthday, were going through the Library of Congress, and



we came to the cabinets where they had the rough notes for Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. I found out then that the story I had heard that Lincoln wrote up that address on the back of an envelope on the way up to Gettysburg, Pa., was a myth; that that great, matchless message was the work of many midnight hours of toil in the White House; and I saw there in the glass cabinets of the Library of Congress the first, up to the sixth and the seventh draft, in pencil and in ink, on White House stationery, in Abraham Lincoln's own handwriting, of the Gettysburg Address. And my little boy, looking down through the glass, with his nose pressed against the glass, and spelling out the words of one of the last drafts to me, read: "The world will little note nor long remember what we say here." And he looked up and he said, "He was wrong about that, wasn't he?"

And Abraham Lincoln, who understood the mysteries of memory, yet had that humility, that Godlike humility which made him make a mistake and feel that those eternal words would not be long remembered, gave the pattern for respect, tribute, dedication. Many have tried to restate the pattern. I tried it once as I stood in the cemetery on Memorial Day, and the May sunshine came down over the green grass with crosses and the graves of my comrades. These words came to me:

Would you honor the dead? Not what you bring,  
Not the flags, nor the flowers, nor the wreaths you bear.  
They cannot hear your salutes as they ring,  
These are for you who are listening there.

Not what you bring to the crosses today,  
Not the dear flowers so tenderly spread,  
Comrades, it's what you carry away,  
That brings lasting honor to these, the dead.

I must do for two—let it sink deep,  
In your heart as you stand near the ground where they sleep,  
As you see those they left behind silently weep.  
I must do for two—that's the pledge you must keep.

I must do for Jim, lying under that tree,  
Who stopped the bullet intended for me.  
I must do for Al, who crashed from the sky,  
Flying the plane that I was to fly.  
I must do for Hap, who died of my flu,  
They each died for me—I must live for two.

They gave all they had for me and the rest,  
Just one life—that's all that I have to give.  
In courage, self-sacrifice, I'll do my best,  
Then do better—for them—for I get to live.  
Life's sweet, but it's hard—the sweetness they gave,  
I have the hardness for both to endure,  
I must give to the country they died to save,  
Double devotion to keep her secure.

I must do for two—let it sink deep  
In your heart as you stand near the ground where they sleep,  
For not what you bring, but this that you keep  
Does honor to those that lie there asleep.

And those were my thoughts that day because, my comrades and my friends and men of the G. A. R., and my neighbors, somehow or other—

It is rather for us, the living, to be here dedicated to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be



here dedicated to the great task remaining before us—that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain; that this Nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom; and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.

(Selection, Glee Club.)

Chairman HERBERT. Tributes to deceased members of the Grand Army of the Republic are now in order. The tribute from the Grand Army itself will be made and given by the Reverend Joshua C. Pearce, chaplain in chief of the Grand Army.

Chaplain in Chief PEARCE. It gives me great pleasure to be here tonight. My father and two of my brothers were in the Civil War. They were in the Fourth Iowa Infantry. My oldest brother was killed at Kenesaw Mountain, and the other one was wounded and came home to die. My father served 2 years. I could not go when my brothers went off—I was too young. But in 1863 I went. I am glad that I am here today to tell you that I served 2½ years in the service of my country. I feel today that this flag that we raise over our country was gained and won by the boys of our country; it was not the old men. There were only three or four men in my company that were married. The rest were all small boys. And when I came home I found that I was the only one that represented my family. The others were all gone. There were not but very few left in my regiment. There were 120 in my company when I went out, but when I came back there was very few. And when we got to Davenport, Iowa, I had to call the roll of those that were left, and I am going to give them to you now:

Abram, Abbott, Brown, Burton, Blair, Cooley, Denny, Drain, Ellsworth, Felton, Garrett, Groves, Graves, Gardiner, Kelly, Lamb, LaFevre, Lewis, Luther, Logan, Lamar, Marcelle, Meyers, Nichol, Otis, Owens, Pearce, Price, Pilmer, Throckmorton, Talbert, Tilton, Wade, Wilcox, Warden, Westcott, Wright.

I have called them since repeatedly and I never get an answer. I guess they are all gone but me. I thank God today I am with you. I pray that when I am called to die I will not die in vain. I will die owing everything I have to the love of my comrades and my friends.

Chairman HERBERT. A remarkable memorial. A tribute by the Woman's Relief Corps given by its national chaplain, Clara Dunn.

Mrs. DUNN. Commander in chief, national presidents, comrades, and friends: We, the National Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, deem it an honor and a privilege to bring a short tribute to the members of the Grand Army who have passed away.

To be cold and breathless, to feel not, to speak not, this is not the end of existence for these men who have breathed their spirit into the institutions of their country, who have laid the foundation of youth, who have poured their heart's blood into the channels of our public institutions. And these boys in blue have done just that.

Can you not see him—not pale and prostrate, the blood of his gallant heart pouring from his ghastly wounds, but moving resplendent over the field of honor with the rose of heaven on his cheek and

the fire of liberty in his eye? That is the spirit which made these men, and men like these can never die.

The hand that traced the charter of independence is indeed motionless, the eloquent lips that sustained it are hushed; but the lofty spirits that conceived, resolved, and maintained it, cannot expire. Friends,

We cannot say, and we will not say  
That they are dead—they are just away.  
With a cheery smile and a wave of the hand,  
They have wandered into an unknown land.

Truly we are saddened to see their ranks thinning so rapidly each year, but Time moves on. I trust that we will ever be mindful that through their brave efforts we have the privilege of assembling here in peace and prosperity under the protection of Old Glory, the emblem of a Nation proud and free.

It is my sincere hope that when the time comes for the last citizen upon this continent to go the way of all the earth, he may look up to the Stars and Stripes and say, "Long may it wave." Then looking higher, softly and earnestly pray, "God bless this country for I am still an American."

Chairman HERBERT. Tribute by the ladies of the G. A. R., given by its national chaplain, Mable Y. Coffey.

Mrs. COFFEY. I deem it a great privilege to be able to represent the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic in this our national memorial service in paying these fathers, uncles, grandfathers, and relatives of ours, whom we hold in such high esteem, the greatest honor that we can possibly pay.

If I were searching for a text tonight, to bring you a message, I would take it from I Samuel, the twentieth chapter and the eighteenth verse. As Jonathan is speaking to David he says, "Tomorrow is full moon and thou shalt be missed." And tonight there are those whom we miss who met with us just a short time ago—just a year ago. It seems now almost as if we can hear their voices or their footsteps in our national convention. Tonight each and every one of you is affected by these losses—the loss of a father, your father and my father, an uncle, a grandfather, who served in the Civil War.

Especially tonight, my friends, we pay tribute to our two past commanders in chief, C. H. William Ruhe and Dr. Mennet; also to the great rank and file who have never received any great department or national fame, but who were never found wanting in service to their State and Nation. And so tonight let us emulate all their virtues, keep in mind all their friendships, and carry on in this great and big way and help defend this great United States of America, as we have in the past.

We lost a great friend when our past commander in chief, Comrade Ruhe, passed away. He was always a friend to all. He will be missed from our convention halls.

And for Dr. Mennet I would say, may you join the singing choir above, and then you will sing the songs you loved. "When I grow too old to dream I'll have you to remember," as you sang in the encampments here. And we hope from that far-off shore you are listening tonight.



Our comrades, like Paul, have fought a good fight. They have finished their course, and henceforth there will be for them a crown of righteousness.

You are not forgotten, comrades,  
Nor will you ever be;  
As long as life and memory last  
We'll remember thee.

We miss you now, our hearts are sore,  
As time goes by we'll miss you even more,  
Your loving smiles, your gentle faces,  
No one can fill your vacant places.

And—

To the past go more dear faces every year,  
As our loved leave vacant places every year,  
Everywhere their sad eyes meet us  
And in the evening dusk they greet us,  
And to come to them entreat us every year.

Yes, the ranks of our comrades are shifting every year,  
And we are seaward drifting every year;  
Old pleasures, changing, fret us  
And the living more and more forget us every year;  
There are fewer to regret us every year.

But the truer life draws nigher every year  
And its morning star climbs higher every year;  
Earth's hold on us grows slighter,  
And the weary burden lighter  
And the dawn immortal brighter every year.

And as the angel has closed their weary eyes in sleep he has said, "Comrades, come to the great Commander in Chief and enter into the joys of those that love the Lord." We have loved our comrades greatly, but God has loved them best. And so, Father—

Into Thy gentle keeping  
Now we leave our comrades sleeping.

Chairman HERBERT. Tribute by the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War by its national chaplain, Mrs. Esther Anderson.

Mrs. ANDERSON. Tonight we gather here to pay tribute to the memories of the Grand Army of the Republic, the boys who wore the blue, our fathers and our grandfathers, because it was the same blood that flowed through their veins that flows through ours.

It seems to me a sad occasion when the national chaplain of any organization is called on to pay a tribute to the members of the Grand Army who have passed away. There have been to my knowledge 381 since we last met in the city of Springfield, Ill.

My grandfather wore the blue, and it is fitting for me to pay this tribute. It is a sad occasion because we who are here tonight do not know what tomorrow may bring forth. But whatever should arise, let us say: "Not my will but Thy will be done."

So much has been said that there is little to be said now, but I will add:

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters.



And what could be more beautiful than to say: "They are not dead—they are just away."

Chairman HERBERT. Rev. Frank C. Huston, national chaplain of the Sons of Union Veterans, I understand is ill and is not present this evening. The tribute by the Sons of Union Veterans will be given by the commander in chief, Dr. J. Kirkwood Craig.

Dr. CRAIG. I regret very much that Brother Huston, my national chaplain, could not be here to take part in this program this evening. I supposed he would be until just a few days ago.

I, too, want to join with these others in paying not only the tribute of our national organization, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, but personally my own tribute to the comrades of my father.

The latter part of April it was my privilege to go on an official visitation to the Pacific coast. I went down to the little city of Pittsburg, Kans., and while I was there I took a spray of flowers and placed them upon the resting place of my father. I want to say to you comrades here tonight that as I placed that little wreath of flowers upon the grave of my own father I was thinking not of him personally and alone, but I was thinking also of you, with all of those who have already gone.

So tonight we pay tribute to all our comrades, not only to the living who are with us—God bless them every one—but also to those who have answered the roll call.

Sometime, somewhere, it all shall be  
As clear as Heaven's light to me,  
Why pain and sorrow, death and loss  
Fall like a shade each path across—  
I shall know all—sometime.

Sometime to see with vision bright  
All who are now denied my sight,  
Those who have made this life so sweet,  
In a new world with love replete—  
This shall be mine—sometime.

Sometime to know all grief and pain,  
All war and hate, all sin and stain,  
Forevermore have passed away,  
To come no more, in realms of day—  
This shall I know—sometime.

Sometime my heart will cease to ache,  
These burning tears my eyes forsake,  
A tired child, freed from alarms,  
To rest within my Father's arms—  
This shall be mine—sometime.

Sometime—since these things mine shall be,  
I must await them patiently;  
And if the road with bloom be sweet,  
Or thick with briers for my feet,  
'Twill take me home—sometime.

When dear ones have left us to journey afar  
O'er mountain or prairie or sea,  
Our thoughts travel oft where the loving ones are,  
And lonely we often must be.  
But sweet is the thought of the homecoming time  
To women and children and men:  
It rings, like the bells, with a musical chime:  
We'll all be together again

When sickness and trouble break into our lives,  
 When cares throng in manifold ways,  
 When many a wearisome burden contrives  
 To mar the sweet peace of our days,  
 'Tis blessed to hope there'll be happiness yet;  
 That shining will follow the rain:  
 That those who now hate will forgive and forget,  
 And we'll all be together again.

When lives have been sundered by death's cruel hand,  
 When dear ones, no more have our care—  
 All happy and safe in the beautiful land—  
 So safe they no more need our prayer;  
 Oh, blessed the thought of the meeting once more  
 Beyond all the sorrow and pain.  
 Where nothing is wrong on the heavenly shore,  
 And we'll all be together gain.

God bless to all of us the sweet memory of the sacrificial services of the heroes of '61 to '65, both the living and dead. God bless us everyone, as Tiny Tim would say.

Chairman HERBERT. The tribute by the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans, by the National Chaplain, Edith Helmie.

Mrs. HELMIE. We are gathered here tonight to pay loving tribute to the memory of our fathers of the Grand Army of the Republic. Time only enhances the lasting value and demonstrates anew the true significance of these inspiring observances. Whatever may be the character of its temporary problems, this liberty-loving Nation is not and can never be forgetful of the immortal heroes of the Civil War.

The debt of gratitude which we owe to the Nation's defenders can never be repaid, either by this or future generations; yet the acknowledgment of the obligation each year, in the various forms, and in a multitude of places throughout this broad land, purifies our ideas and brings all of us together in sympathy of sentiment and unity of purpose.

Generations come and go, and the issues for which they fought and died soon pass into history. But the living principles of undertakings worthily accomplished for an unselfish purpose abide forever and guide us to a nobler destiny and still greater achievements as a nation.

The only debt that the Nation can never repay is the one to her old soldiers. Let the Nation thank God that it still breeds men who make life great by service and sacrifice.

As narrower grows the earthly chain  
 The circle widens in the sky;  
 These are our treasures that remain,  
 But those are stars that beam on high.

One by one they're swiftly passing  
 While celestial trumpets sound,  
 With a grander army, massing  
 On eternal muster ground.

O happy ending of blest years of service.  
 Give us who linger, when life is done,  
 The same assurance of a Father's welcome,  
 The same glad greeting when we journey Home.

(Music, United States Marine Band.)

Chairman HERBERT. I want to thank Congressman Vorys, the glee club, Captain Santelmann and his band, and all who have made this evening possible. To you members of the Grand Army, there is trans-

portation for you on either side of the hall. After the benediction will the audience please remain seated until our distinguished guests, the members of the Grand Army, have left the hall.

May we have the taps?

(Taps, United States Marine Band.)

Chairman HERBERT. The benediction will be pronounced by the Reverend Mr. Matheny.

Rev. Mr. MATHENY. O God, our Father, hasten that glad, good day when war shall be no more, when nation shall not lift up sword against nation, nor shall they learn war any more, when the little birds may build their nests in the cannon's mouth and a redeemed host may sing, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace and good will to men." Let Thy kingdom come and Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.





**RECEPTION AND SEMIOFFICIAL MEETING HELD IN MEMORIAL HALL, COLUMBUS, OHIO, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1941, 8 P. M.**

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Hon. Paul M. Herbert, chairman, encampment committee, presiding.  
(Music, United States Marine Band.)

Chairman HERBERT. Commander Nixon, Veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic, and your faithful allied organizations:

Last night was the memorial service. Because of the dignity of the occasion I requested that there be no applause. Tonight the rule is the reverse. All the appreciation that you may wish to show by applause is quite appropriate.

To open the second session of this great encampment we could have no finer vehicle than the great Marine Band.

(Music, United States Marine Band.)

(The Star-Spangled Banner, Dorothy Stevens Humphreys.)

Chairman HERBERT. The invocation will be pronounced by the pastor of the Central Presbyterian Church, Rev. Dr. Frank H. Throop.

Dr. THROOP. Let us pray. God of Abraham, God of Isaac, God of our fathers, who guided in the past the destinies of this Nation, who in the troubled years of its beginning did give those wisdom who held responsible places in its organization, and didst guide them as they tracked westward until at last they had conquered the wilds, they had opened the frontiers, they had established a nation which spread itself over the continent until it had become one of the great nations of the world's history, a nation with a peculiar blessing from God.

We thank Thee for the experience of those who in the fine strength and vigor of manhood had the necessary courage for the hour of trial, and the love for liberty and the sense of freedom that has characterized the Nation from the days of its formation, and tonight we give thanks for the rare blessings with which Thou hast favored this Nation.

There came a day when its foundation stones of liberty were again questioned. There came the cry, "Can a nation exist half slave and half free?" And facing the issues of the hour with a courage that is inbred within them, the manhood of the Nation stood at arms that they might defend the freedom and the liberty which had become a part of them.

Four long, desperate years from Bull Run to Appomattox, 4 long years when the streams of our land were red with the blood of its own sons, when, after disaster and defeat, came the final triumph. Victorious they stood forth, and the integrity of the Nation was established, "One Nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

We thank Thee for these heroes we honor tonight who took part in that desperate struggle. We need them tonight for the experience of



their long years. We need tonight desperately the example of their courage, their fortitude, their final victory. We are living in an age when the storm clouds are blowing, and in this hour, O God, we need these men. We need the example they have set for us in such an hour as this.

Now, as they go down this last mile they seek a city whose builder and maker is God, and as they face in the last shadows, unafraid, they step forward—these heroes of ours, O God, fling wide the gates, as the gates of our city are flung today. Oh, welcome them. And hear us tonight as together we pray—these heroes whom we honor and this company here gathered—O God, hear us in this last prayer, “God bless America.” For we ask in Jesus’ name. Amen.

Chairman HERBERT. We have here in Columbus one of the outstanding groups of male voices. You heard them last night. You wanted to applaud them but you could not. Tonight you will hear them again. The Republican Glee Club.

The Glee Club sang *We All Say Welcome, Boys of '61*. Also *There's Something About the G. A. R.*, the words of which were written by Lida S. Lucas, secretary of the Ohio Department, Grand Army of the Republic. Both numbers were heartily applauded.

Chairman HERBERT. To those who come here from beyond the boundaries of Columbus and beyond the boundaries of the State of Ohio, we want you to know that if the folks in Columbus are a happy kind of persons it is because of the singing in every group and every part of the city for years by this organization under the leadership of Karl H. Hoenig. [Applause.]

On the program at this time appears the following words, “Address of welcome, Hon. John W. Bricker, Governor of Ohio.” We have in the Constitution of the State of Ohio a provision something like this, that in the absence, sickness, or disability of the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor shall assume his office. [Applause.] And tonight Governor Bricker is in Milwaukee, Wis., where he today addressed the American Legion. I believe in the constitution of my State, so I am really following it tonight.

It is a personal honor to welcome you veterans to the great State of Ohio. I say a great State, not because of our great manufacturing, not because we have 56 cities of over 10,000 population, not because we have 86,000 miles of highways and roads, not because we have numerous industries that produce each year more wealth than all the gold mined, not because we have some industries that produce more wealth each year than all the diamonds mined in South Africa.

We like the material greatness of Ohio, but we have more schools and colleges than any other State in the Union. We are proud of our churches scattered throughout this State. We are proud of our flags that you probably have seen over in the rotunda of the statehouse, flags that Ohio boys have carried with honor on the fields of battle of our Nation’s wars.

Now let me add this. As great as our State is, admire it as we do, the Grand Army of the Republic, in choosing Ohio and in choosing Columbus as the place for the seventy-fifth annual encampment, has given Ohio an honor greater than she ever received in the past, and no doubt an honor that will stand greater than any that she will receive in the future. So, Commander Nixon and the members of your command, and the allied organizations, the citizenship of Ohio, the citizen-



ship of Columbus, gives to you its sincerest and most conscientious welcome. We hope that your stay in Ohio will be happy, and that when you return to your homes with God's blessing that you will remember Ohio with happiness and with pleasure. [Applause.]

Now you are to be welcomed by the chief executive of our capital city, his excellency the mayor, Hon. Floyd F. Green.

Mayor GREEN. Lieutenant Governor Herbert, Commander Nixon, members of the Grand Army of the Republic and the affiliated organizations assembled here tonight, Paul Herbert has told you how Ohio feels honored to have this your seventy-fifth annual encampment in the State of Ohio, and I can say to you that as mayor of the city of Columbus I feel it is perhaps the highest honor that I will ever be privileged to have, in addressing this your convention in its diamond jubilee. [Applause.]

You know as mayor of the city of Columbus it becomes my duty quite frequently to give addresses of welcome to various groups who have assembled here in convention form. I love to make an address of welcome. I like to give the keys of the city to visiting delegates who will enjoy the capital city of a great State. I know that you boys have been in Columbus before. About 22 years ago you were here with your annual encampment. There were perhaps more of you here at that particular convention than you have now. But I am quite sure that those who are absent are with us in spirit if not in body.

I want to give especially to the veterans here tonight the key not only to the city of Columbus, but the key that will reach the heart of every citizen of the city of Columbus. We want you to have the most enjoyable period that you have had in many long years.

You know before assuming the office of mayor of the city of Columbus it was my privilege to travel rather extensively. I attended quite a number of conventions. I used to go alone. I used to tell Mrs. Green that a convention was no place for a woman—and I got by with it for several years, too. [Laughter.] Until someone told her some of the things that take place during a convention, and from that period on whenever I attend a convention Mrs. Green is there with me. [Applause.] I am always glad to see the ladies present at a convention.

We are proud of Columbus. I know that you are proud and happy about the community in which you live. We are most especially happy about Columbus, those of us who live here. We are proud of it. We have many things in Columbus to be proud of, but we are proud of one fact alone—that we are part of a great Nation, just a small part of a great Nation. But as we work so does the Nation work. So we want you to feel just as much at home here in Columbus as you would if you were at home.

Now, I know that during many of the conventions which the Boys in Blue have attended they have had grand times. They have kicked up their heels and they have done things that perhaps they would like to do today if they could, and from what I could see of Commander Nixon the other night I am not just so sure that they don't do it.

Wednesday night it was my privilege, along with the Lieutenant Governor and our good friend Joe Cross and a few others, to meet Commander Nixon and his fine daughter at the Union Station. They told me before I went down there that he was 95 years old, and I said: "We will make arrangements for him to get out of the car right by the automobile and down to the hotel." When we got down there he got



off the train as spry as a 6-year-old boy, and said, "Just lead me wherever you want me to go and keep your hands off me. I can get along as good as you can." And he can, too. [Applause.]

Now, folks, Columbus is a landmark in the Civil War. I happen to live in what is known as the Hill Top section of the city of Columbus, at Camp Chase—what formerly was Camp Chase, Ohio, where thousands of recruits were mustered into the service. My grandfather was one of those who was mustered in at Camp Chase.

There is just a little feeling in my throat tonight as I stand here and address the members of the Grand Army who fought so nobly that our flag would never be dishonored. I know that he is with you tonight. I know that he would love to be here, because he was one of you from the time he enlisted until the Almighty Father called him away from you. So I say it does make just a little throb in my throat and a tender feeling in my heart to see so many of the boys who just forget all physical disabilities when this grand old convention is held each year, put on their best uniform and march out to the city which will serve as host to that great, glorious convention.

I know your convention is a great thing. You not only meet to discuss your experiences; you meet to pay tribute to those heroes who were your buddies—some of whom never were able to attend an encampment. They were lost in the line of battle. Oh, they were heroes, every one of them, and we remember them. The people of this city, the people of this State, and the people of this Nation shall never forget the service that was rendered by the Boys in Blue to this very great Nation.

We know, those of us who are sons or grandsons, or daughters or granddaughters, of these veterans, that they are the real foundations of the present form of American democracy which we are enjoying. That democracy was threatened in 1861 and when the call to arms came these men dropped their plows, they dropped whatever tools they were working with, and shouldered the musket, that our flag would fly victoriously over a great Union which we recognize today and love so much as the United States of America.

Yes, I extend to you, to the veterans, and the sons and daughters, grandsons and granddaughters, a most hearty and cordial welcome to Columbus, Ohio, the capital city of a great State, and, as I said before, a part of a great Nation. I hope that your convention is an outstanding success. I hope that you will be able to come back again and enjoy the hospitality of Columbus.

Your Commander Nixon told me the other night, he said: "I am going to tell you the same as I told the mayor of Springfield, Ill.," where you had your convention last year, "I greet you now, and I hope when we come back again you will still be mayor." I hope I am still mayor when you come back to Columbus again. [Applause.]

I could say to the veterans tonight, as perhaps many mayors have said in many cities 50 or 60 years ago, "We have a police department here that will shield and protect you if you need it." But I don't believe the veterans need any police department. They don't need any fire department. But whatever they do need while they are in the city of Columbus, and the officials can give it to them, you can rest assured that it is yours for the asking. [Applause.]

I say again I hope that your convention is constructive and profitable to each and every one of you. To the sons and daughters let me say



this: It is your duty and mine to carry on where our fathers left off. Thank you very much. [Applause.]

Chairman HERBERT. Governor Bricker, when he left to address the American Legion convention, representing all of the Governors, made sure that he would be with you on Wednesday night. He will be with you at the reception, and Thursday night. Now, if any of you veterans happens to be broke and has any bills to pay, just see that the mayor pays them. [Applause.]

And to the visiting comrades and the allied organizations comes a greeting from the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Ohio, from its commander, David M. Robbins.

Comrade DAVID M. ROBBINS, South Vienna, Ohio. Fellow citizens, I cannot understand why the chairman of this meeting tonight should call upon a guy like me to make a talk. I am glad I am here. Ain't you?

These comrades, I am glad to meet them and see them once more. My mind reverts back to 53 years ago when Ohio had the greatest Grand Army meeting in the history of the Grand Army, 1888, one of the largest meetings of the Grand Army, held here in the city of Columbus, Ohio. They started the parade about 2 o'clock, and they kept it up until after dark when they just disbanded. That was a parade worth talking about. Those times have passed and gone. The Grand Army has dwindled down to just a few.

I remember in the year 1890, 407,000 members belonged to the Grand Army of the Republic. Now there is just a handful left. God bless them. Don't you say so yourself?

So as commander I have been highly honored by being placed at the head of the Grand Army of the Republic in Ohio. And thanks to my comrades, I was made president of the Army of the Cumberland after the death of one of the most noble boys that the sun ever shone on, Johnnie Clem, of Newark, Ohio. After Johnnie's death they made me president of the Army of the Cumberland. I hold that position yet, but the Army of the Cumberland you can count on your fingers now.

Time has taken over the active part of our life. Time has taken the active boys that saved this Union and made it the greatest in the world. Don't you think so?

So I will have to just close my remarks by saying, God bless all of you and keep you in the hollow of His hand. When the time comes be ready. We used to sing an old song, "You must be happy while you live if you want to be happy when you die." Don't you think so?

So with my heartfelt thanks I will just bid you good night. [Applause.]

Chairman HERBERT. We are proud of the G. A. R., Department of Ohio, and proud of its commander.

Here is a communication that Commander Nixon received today, and which he has asked the Chair to read. It is as follows [reading letter from President Franklin D. Roosevelt incorporated in the proceedings of the encampment, and appearing at p. 92 of this journal].

And another communication that Commander Nixon received today which is of interest to all of us, and it is as follows [reading letter from Gen. Frank T. Hines appearing at pp. 92-93 of this journal].

(Hail to the Chief, United States Marine Band.)



Chairman HERBERT. Now, we have for the high light of the convention the response to the welcomes given, by your commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, William W. Nixon. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief NIXON. The first thing I want to say is I have always been a Republican, but I feel like giving our President and General Hines a vote of thanks for those letters. That is the way I feel.

I am glad to be with you here tonight. It seems to me like I am coming back home. I was born not very far away from here, up near Pittsburgh and not far from Carnegie or Woodville. That is where I was born. So it seems like I am coming back home now when I come back here from Kansas.

I want to thank everybody that has had anything to do here in Columbus in fixing up for us to come to this encampment. They have done fine. I want to thank all the people of Columbus, and I want to thank especially the mayor of Columbus. I want to say to him, just like I said to the mayor of Springfield last fall—we had the same mayor of Springfield last fall that we had 7 years before—he had been there 7 years. Now I hope to get back here 7 years later and you will have the same mayor.

I want to thank this band. I never heard any better band. I don't know whether there is, anyhow. I want to thank those fellows that sang for us tonight. They did fine. They sang the old songs. I felt like turning in and helping them.

You are taking good care of us and, as I say, I hope we will come back 7 years later. I believe that is all. [Applause.]

Chairman HERBERT. Mr. Nixon, let me tell you. You like Floyd Green pretty well, the mayor, and you want to see him when you come back for the next encampment. We have a city campaign 2 years from now. We will send for you to come and join the speakers' bureau in the campaign. He says he will be here.

I wonder if the chief of staff, Comrade Ridenour, is in the audience. if so, please come up to the platform. The chief of staff, Comrade Ridenour.

We will be favored again with a musical selection by the Columbus Republican Glee Club under the direction of "Pop" Hoenig.

The glee club sang "When the Universe Was New" and "Ohio," receiving hearty applause.

Chairman HERBERT. If I recall, though I was not here, the club was organized in about 1872—not these same fellows. They went to every national inauguration, with one or two exceptions, until 1933. Then something happened, and they have not been to Washington since. But they have hopes of going down there some of these times and singing at another inauguration.

Commander Nixon just said something that rather amused me. He was talking about the mayor and the glee club and the band and everybody else, and then he said, "The next time I have anything to say I would like to say something to the Lieutenant Governor." They usually say, "Who is that fellow carrying all the packages and speaking occasionally, back there?" "Well, that is the Lieutenant Governor."

We will have greetings now from the allied organizations. The first will be from the Woman's Relief Corps by its national president, Mrs. Grace Houlette Hahn.

Mrs. HAHN. Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic W. W. Nixon, veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic, Your Excellency Lt. Gov. Paul Herbert, His Honor Mayor Green, friends, members, and all:

Columbus, Ohio, has opened her arms most cordially and graciously to us, and we voice our grateful appreciation for every loving courtesy. I am speaking for the National Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, as I bring you greetings from my organization as well as our heartfelt thanks for your efforts to make us so comfortable and happy.

Lt. Gov. Paul Herbert did some bragging about Ohio, and the mayor did some bragging about Columbus. I am going to do some bragging about Ohio. I am not running for office this year, so I am not afraid to say this. I am very proud to tell you and to bring to you that the State of Ohio has the largest membership in the Woman's Relief Corps of any State in the Union. [Applause.]

From out the twilight of yester hours  
 When the star of accomplishment gleams,  
 They came—these builders of pillars strong,  
 Which are made from the stuff of their dreams.  
 The torch which these soldiers have held aloft  
 Still burns like the flame beam of fame,  
 So we fear not to take on the path they trod  
 Since our candle was lit from their flame.

The flame of patriotism ran high as they held aloft the torch of freedom when the Boys in Blue in 1861 marched away to war. They were then a group of sturdy, strong boys. Stronger than the Boys of '98, with whom my husband marched away. How do I know? Well, from the death rate we receive each month. According to the number living, there is a smaller death rate among the soldiers of the Civil War than there is among the soldiers of the Spanish-American War. So I claim that you, the Grand Army of the Republic, is still an army of sturdy men for your age. Each year is taking its toll, but still you are holding your own beautifully, nobly, and valiantly against your last enemy—death. There are about 1,500 Union soldiers on the pension rolls of the United States. These are the soldiers that followed Abraham Lincoln to victory.

Talk about the letter "V" that the armies of Europe are having for their watchword or guide. The soldiers of the Civil War had "V" written all over the battlefields their weary feet trod. Each unknown grave could be marked with "V." Each crippled soldier had engraved upon his heart "V" for victory. "V," "V" was their cry as they marched home to the loving arms of their families. "V," "V" cried the angelic host as they triumphantly marched into the campground of the skies. Victory was theirs, for had they not given up their all so that we, the coming generation, might live? Ah, yes; wave forever did I say?

Fling to the breeze our noble flag  
 And let it ride the gale.  
 In time of war 'twill never lag,  
 Its Stars and Stripes ne'er pale.

What makes me tonight want to talk of flames and flags? I saw the holy flame of eternal peace in the light at Gettysburg. I saw the flag waving over the Capitol at Washington. God grant it may ever



be so. But—there are other flames and other flags flaunting themselves before us tonight. Flaming headlines, telling of Hitler's victories, communistic flags 'neath the black shirts of our European enemies. Again I quote Abraham Lincoln: "If our Nation is ever destroyed, it will be by enemies within, rather than by foes without our borders." Did he mean us—now? Our administration leaders tell us we are in the war now. If we are, only God can deliver us from this evil. Read the fourteenth and fifteenth chapters of Exodus, and especially the twenty-sixth verse of the fifteenth chapter, if you don't believe me.

There's a sound to be heard above bullets,  
 There's a sound much sweeter by far,  
 It's the sound of kneeling women,  
 It's the sound of a nation at prayer.

I call upon you, my American women. We must keep our faith, our courage, our prayers, and work as we have never worked before.

There are three things that must always be  
 To keep a nation strong and free.  
 One is a hearthstone, bright and dear,  
 With busy, happy loved ones near;  
 One is a ready heart and hand  
 To love and serve and keep the land;  
 One is a worn and beaten way  
 To where people go to pray.  
 So long as these are kept alive  
 Nation and people will survive.  
 God keep them always, everywhere,  
 The home, the school, the place of prayer.

These three are being lovingly supported by the Woman's Relief Corps. As the older and the leader of all patriotic groups, we are proud of our record, also, for charitable and patriotic projects. Each national president has made a record that has been hard to excel. Each rejoices with the next one on her achievements.

Fifty-eight years ago we dedicated our organization and all that we do to the Grand Army of the Republic. This past year we have been successful in raising an amount through gifts from each member, and so we have bought and established a national headquarters in a suitable building at Springfield, two blocks from the Lincoln old home, in the city of the shrine and tomb of Lincoln.

The Grand Army of the Republic is endeared to us by the sacred ties of life. So again, in the name of the National Woman's Relief Corps, in honor of the living and in memory of our deceased soldiers of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Union soldiers of the Civil War, it is my great pleasure and honor to present this check of \$1,000 to the care and keeping of Comrade Nixon for the Grand Army of the Republic, with our love and best devotion. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief Nixon. Thank you very much. And now that I am up here I do want to say a few words about your Lieutenant Governor. I hope when we come back here 7 years later that he will be Governor. And this Congressman from this district, I hope when we come back 7 years later he will be United States Senator.

Chairman HERBERT. Commander Nixon, when you reelect Floyd Green mayor then I will make you my campaign manager for Governor, and then when you send John Vorys to the Senate we will make you chairman of the party.

Mrs. Hahn, if you have any more of those checks, there is nobody like Lieutenant Governors that are so appreciative.

The greetings from the Ladies of the G. A. R., by its national president, Nellie K. Stammel.

Mrs. STAMMEL. Mr. Chairman, Commander in Chief, comrades, national president of the Woman's Relief Corps, national president of the Daughters, and all the members of allied organizations:

It is a very proud and happy moment for me tonight to stand before you as the national president of the Ladies of the Grand Army and bring you greetings from that organization. I could stand here for hours and hours and talk to you about the Grand Army of the Republic, our love for them, our respect for them, and the wonderful things they have done, but you don't want to sit here and listen all those hours because I would never get through.

Because money has a reputation for talking, Commander in Chief, I want to present to you, with the love and the respect of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic from every corner of the United States, this check for \$1,000 for your organization.

Commander in Chief NIXON. We appreciate it very much. Thank you.

Chairman HERBERT. The greetings from the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War by its president, Mrs. Mattie Reason Tucker.

Mrs. TUCKER. Mr. Chairman—I think the mayor has retired—Commander in Chief Nixon, comrades of the Grand Army, members of the allied orders, and all the distinguished guests: It is my happy privilege as president of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War to come to you this evening and extend to you our greetings. We are pleased indeed with our visit to Columbus, Ohio. Last Sunday after the dedication of our memorial I had the pleasure of riding through your beautiful city and seeing so many lovely residences. I went through Franklin Park and I admired every bit of it.

At our banquet Mr. Cross, the chairman of the convention bureau, assured us that we were going to have very lovely weather this week, and so far we have. It perhaps has been a little warm, but, nevertheless, we have have had beautiful weather, and I do feel that Mr. Cross, if he wants another position, would make a very good weather forecaster.

I do thank the city of Columbus for the courtesies they have extended to us. I am sure each and every member of my organization appreciates the efforts that have been made to entertain us this week.

Now time is short and I am not a speechmaker. I just want to give you a little check for the Grand Army fund, with no strings attached, for \$1,100. [Applause.] I also want to give you another check for the Southern Memorial fund of \$500.

This is the diamond jubilee of the Grand Army of the Republic and their Daughters made a special effort this year to make their donation to them larger, and we have succeeded.

And now you have been a good little boy the whole year and I would like to give you this loving cup. [Presenting cup to the commander in chief.] When you sit in your easy chair we want you to have that on the shelf right near you so that you will always remember



the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, who feel that their fathers and the comrades of their fathers were the grandest army that any nation ever had.

Commander in Chief NIXON. I cannot find words to express myself for this.

Chairman HERBERT. The greetings of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War will be given by its commander in chief, the Reverend Dr. J. Kirkwood Craig.

Dr. CRAIG. Mr. Chairman, commander in chief, distinguished guests, and friends, I have been told that once upon a time one of these old soldiers went away down into the deep South. In one of the little towns down there he ran across an old Confederate soldier—one arm shot off, one leg gone, both of his ears missing; he had a great big scalp wound over his forehead, and he was blind in one eye. He had some pencils that he was willing to sell for 5, 10, or 25 cents apiece. This Union soldier saw him and dropped in a quarter as he went by. He came back again and dropped in a dollar bill. And as he walked by a little bit later he dropped in a \$5 bill—walked by and never took a pencil for his contribution. Somebody finally said to him, "How does it come that you are so generous with this Confederate soldier? He was one of your archenemies a few years ago." He said, "I'll tell you why. It is the first time I ever saw one of those fellows trimmed the way I like to see him trimmed." [Laughter.]

Well, we are trying to forget some of those things and heal the wounds between the North and the South. But it was my privilege as a young minister from New England during the World War to go down into Camp Taylor to the chaplains' training school. We were the last in war and the first in peace. That is to say, we were not sworn into the service until Friday after the armistice had been signed on Monday; and then we were discharged just in time to get home for Christmas—all of us.

But I remember one Sunday that the adjutant asked a bunch of us to go out with him and help in a Sunday service, and I offered to go, and there were a couple of southerners along. We went away out in the country and after the service, which was a very good one, we were invited into some of the homes, and we had a lovely dinner, with chicken and gravy and all of those things. Some of the men who had gone close by didn't get any invitations to dinner and they had to go clear back to camp and eat Army chow afterward.

Well, now, Commander in Chief, you know the sons love their dads just as well as these girls, but there are some things we cannot do and show it the way they show it. One of the reasons why the sons don't kiss their dads and the dads don't kiss their sons the way these girls kiss their dads is because we have so many things that are so much better to kiss.

Now I have a check here. It is a check with a two and four ciphers after it. That would make \$20,000, wouldn't it? Nobody seems to appreciate it, do they? That is, if the period were in the proper place. Well, the period is not in the proper place to read that way. We wish it were \$200,000, but it isn't. But, nevertheless, our little gift of \$200 represents just as much love and just as much admiration and just as much sacrificial service, probably, as some of these other gifts. I don't know that there are any strings to it. It is given with the

love and best wishes of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Now don't stand up. [Applause.]

Chairman HERBERT. Greetings from the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War by its national president, Mrs. Clara M. Gallagher.

Mrs. GALLAGHER. Commander in chief, distinguished guests, and friends, this is a very lovely occasion for me to bring my greetings to the commander in chief, to the Grand Army of the Republic, to the distinguished guests here, and to the city of Columbus for their wonderful hospitality.

We all love the Grand Army of the Republic. One year ago after meeting the commander in chief I learned to love him very, very dearly. Being a daughter of a veteran of the Civil War, I have always loved the Grand Army. That has been instilled into me from a little child. I will always love them, and I will always work for them.

Commander in Chief Nixon; I think he adopted me a year ago. We are his children this year. But if he thinks he only adopted us for 1 year he got left, for we are his forever. I am just the happiest girl in the world tonight as president of one of your allied organizations to present to you from the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War a check for \$500. I wish it might be five million. But this comes from the heart—our loved children to you—to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Commander in Chief NIXON. Thank you.

Chairman HERBERT. After seeing that demonstration I have lost all interest in checks. Now the response to these splendid greetings will be given by one of the past commanders in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, Robert M. Rownd.

Past Commander in Chief ROWND. It would be impossible for me to express my deep appreciation to this vast audience. I have lived in this very beautiful, patriotic city noted for its fine entertainment and hospitality. There is no place in the Nation that this organization, or the organizations associated with the Grand Army of the Republic, could be more highly entertained and where the people show greater courtesy than the city of Columbus. Some of the sweetest memories that I ever possessed were created in this city and some of the most lovely people that I have ever known have had their residence in Columbus. And I have never known a more appreciative people.

Thank God that I am an American 100 percent. [Applause.] I believe in the institution of the United States and our national form of government, and its noble traditions. And probably all those who hear my voice will unite in a cheerful support of the administration of the United States and standing together against Hitler. And with the hearty cooperation of this Nation, if we go back to the Bible and not depart from the teachings of the greatest teacher that ever lived in the world, the Britons will win this war. And let each one of us pray that that may be the result. [Applause.]

I would extend thanks to these ladies that represent the finest organizations that this Nation has ever produced, for their contributions to the fund. If it were not for these organizations who are in sympathy with these beloved soldiers, the Grand Army of the Republic



would not be in existence today. Thank you all, ladies, and all others who have contributed to the evening service. God bless you.

And let me thank this organization. It is one of the finest musical organizations I have ever known. They make the best music that is to be heard anywhere in the United States.

And I want to speak a very kindly word to the Republican Glee Club, which I have regarded very highly for the last 50 years, and I think they are the greatest singers in the Nation. There is harmony in their voices and love in their hearts. God bless them.

Chairman HERBERT. Now that Past Commander in Chief Rownd has mentioned the Columbus Republican Glee Club, it is quite appropriate that we hear from them again.

(Selections, glee club.)

(Music: United States Marine Band.)

Chairman HERBERT. The concluding musical number will be America. The band will furnish the music and "Pop" Hoenig is going to lead the audience. Sing it out.

(America: audience.)

Chairman HERBERT. As we did last night, after the benediction will the audience please remain seated until the veterans of the Grand Army can go to this side of the hall, where transportation is provided.

The benediction will be given by the Reverend Robert Coburn.

Father COBURN. O Heavenly Father, Almighty God, we humbly beseech Thee to bless and sanctify the convention hall and all who dwell therein and everything else in it, and do Thou vouchsafe to fill it with all good things.

Grant to these visitors the abundance of heavenly blessings and from the richness of the earth every substance necessary for life, and finally direct their desires to the fruits of Thy mercy.

At their encampment deign to bless and sanctify the convention as Thou didst deign to bless the house of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, and may the angels of Thy light dwell within the walls of the convention hall, and may they protect it and those who dwell therein. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Taps: United States Marine Band.)

**CAMPFIRE HELD IN MEMORIAL HALL, COLUMBUS, OHIO,  
TUESDAY EVENING, 8 P. M., SEPTEMBER 16, 1941**

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Mr. Joseph E. Cross, of the convention bureau, presiding.

(Music, United States Marine Band.)

Chairman CROSS. I regret to advise you—those who have been with us the last two evenings—of the illness of Paul Herbert, general chairman. He has been compelled to ask me to carry on for him. I shall do my best for these grand gray-haired men, the men who saved the Union and redeemed a race. They inspire one to do his best.

The invocation will be delivered by the Reverend F. Bringle McIntosh, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Columbus.

Rev. Mr. McINTOSH. May we sit in quietness before God for just a moment. Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, our hearts are made glad by virtue of the memories that flood our minds as we sit about this seventy-fifth campfire of the Grand Army of the Republic. There comes flooding into our memories all kinds of experiences—memories of sacrifice, memories of achievement, memories of hardship and heart-ache, memories of bravery, memories that are sacred to the minds and hearts of these our brothers, memories that have become sacred to the memory and life of the sons and daughters of these men that we revere.

We thank Thee, our Heavenly Father, that in the midst of the welter of experience there come to the top the great things that really matter in our lives, the things that stand out in bold relief and will not down—such things as brotherhood, such things, our Heavenly Father, as deep sacrifice, such things as justice to all men and all races, such things as the binding together of the Union, such things as make up this thing we call democracy. We thank Thee that rising out of the human experience of life these things come.

And now in the midst of these trying experiences of 1941 we find the world is in confusion and chaos on every hand. May it be possible, our Heavenly Father, that we shall stand by the things that matter, that this democracy under God may shed a light to the four corners of the earth, and that all men seeing that light may come to love our country as we love it and as our neighbors are prone to love it.

Thy blessing be upon these grand old men of comradeship as they gather about this seventy-fifth campfire. May the blessing of God, the Father, the Eternal Father of all men, be among them now and evermore, world without end. Amen.

(Music: United States Marine Band.)

Chairman CROSS. The parade, which is the high light of the encampment, will move at 10 o'clock in the morning from Memorial Hall. The veterans and their attendants will please be on the Broad Street entrance to the headquarters hotel at 9 o'clock. Open cars will be provided. Ample accommodations are arranged. Will the comrades



please be ready at 9 o'clock in the morning at the headquarters hotel, please?

Again on Thursday evening this great Marine Band, the world's finest, will appear at the stadium at Ohio State University, under the lights, with a great program. Don't forget, please. And pass the word along that this recital is free to everyone and it is a great opportunity to hear this great band. Friday, a program to be announced through the press and by radio, so we hope you will enjoy that day with us.

We will stand for the pledge of allegiance to the flag, after which the band will play the Star-Spangled Banner. Captain Santelmann would like the audience to join in singing the national anthem.

(Pledge of allegiance to the flag by the audience.)

(Star-Spangled Banner, United States Marine Band and audience.)

Chairman Cross. The next number is a dedication to the Boys in Blue, by Mary June Wynters, of the School of Expression and Dramatic Art.

(Reading, Mary June Wynters.)

Chairman Cross. The speaker of the evening is Hon. Randolph W. Walton, a keen student of United States history and of the Civil War. No man has a better knowledge of the history, the military history of our State. He is the son of a veteran, and I am pleased to present now Mr. Randolph W. Walton, our next speaker.

Mr. WALTON. Mr. Chairman, members of the Grand Army of the Republic, Captain Santelmann and the Marine Band, and members of the affiliated organizations, I do not like these mechanical devices. It sort of cramps my style. Anybody that hasn't got lung capacity enough to make an audience of this size hear should not attempt to speak in public. [Applause.]

I have been introduced as the son of a veteran. Now we Sons of Veterans cannot take any credit ourselves for that fact. Our parents were in perfect control of that situation. But as far as I am concerned, speaking as a son of a veteran—I believe I speak for all of my comrades of the Sons of Veterans—we will be thankful to God to the end of our days that we used such excellent judgment in selecting our parents.

I have been attending these campfires since the late seventies, and during the eighties and the nineties I attended many of them; and in these campfires, I want to say to you, fellow citizens, that I have heard the finest sentiments of patriotism, the finest specimens of eloquence, and the best humor I ever heard in my life.

The fact of the matter is that these fellows who call themselves news commentators don't comment at all. They just pass the news on. We can all read that news just as well as they do. Why don't they express an opinion about the news. I remember attending a campfire in the late seventies of my father's regiment, the Twenty-fifth Ohio. It saw some fighting. He was at Gettysburg. And the original news commentator that I ever knew addressed that campfire. It had not been very long before that that one of the Vanderbilts married a woman in England and forswore his allegiance to the United States and went over there to live. And this member of the Twenty-fifth Ohio started in and he discussed that news and he commented on it, gave his opinion about it. He went on to report the fact that this millionaire American

had married this kind of a woman in England and was going over there to live, and his comment on that was this: "Any man that cannot live under the American flag and love the American woman ought to go to hell."

I like this organization of the American Legion. Their first meeting was in Paris on the 17th of March after the war was over. And in their first convention do you know what their slogan was? "The welfare of the United States of America is the first consideration." [Applause.]

And speaking of the humor of those old campfires I remember hearing a chaplain speaking about the experience of the Union Army as it was going through Kentucky. You know a good deal of Kentucky was neutral, a good deal like Tennessee. As Mark Twain expressed himself at one time when the debate between Ingersoll and Gladstone was going on about heaven and hell. They asked Mark Twain what he thought about that discussion. Mark said, "I don't want to commit myself on that subject of heaven and hell because I have got friends in both places." These soldiers going through Kentucky had friends there, and the other folks did too. So the colonel issued strict injunctions against any foraging in this friendly district of Kentucky.

Well, one day one of the young cavalrymen going out there on one of those meandering highways just to see what he could see, happened to see on a rail fence a nice-looking Dominique rooster. He looked pretty good to that trooper. But, of course, he remembered the colonel's orders and he could not shoot him. But a real soldier if he cannot get anything by direct action must resort to strategy. That is what this cavalryman did. He figured out this scheme: He saw that the rooster was mostly gray, and he therefore concluded that he must be a southerner—at least a southern sympathizer. So he halted his horse there and he said to this rooster standing up on the top of the rail fence, "Now, sir, you crow for the Union."

The rooster, as the lawyer would say, stood mute; didn't say anything for fear, possibly, it might be used against him. The second time the trooper called upon that Dominique rooster to crow for the Union. Still there was a great degree of silence. So the cavalryman unlimbered his carbine and he aimed at the rooster and said, "Now for the third time, damn you, I command you to crow for the Union." The rooster didn't crow, and he shot him off the fence and ran and grabbed him up and put him in his knapsack. And, incidentally, he grabbed up a hen that was fluttering around and put her in, too.

When you do something some superior has told you not to do your superior is about the first chap that gets onto it. So this trooper came back to camp and, lo and behold, the first man that he met when he came into camp was this colonel who had issued the order against foraging. The colonel noticed the knapsack and demanded an explanation. The trooper said, "Colonel, this is an exception—a very extraordinary case. I would say that the rooster is a southern sympathizer. You can very clearly determine that fact because three times I commanded him to crow for the Union and he would not do it. So I shot him off the fence, which he deserved." "Well," the colonel said, "what about this hen here? She could not have crowed if you commanded her." And he said, "Why, Colonel, I simply brought her in here as a witness." [Laughter.]



Another good story about the history of the people down through Kentucky. You know it was brother against brother, or father against son, the same as in Tennessee. At this particular time one of those hill men in Kentucky, very handy with the rifle—you know they used to go out squirrel hunting and shoot at a squirrel in the top of a tree, and if they didn't get that squirrel in the eye they called it a miss. Well, it happened that this father joined the Union Army and his son Lem went into the Confederate; and of course they naturally gravitated into the sharp-shooting division of each side. One day the old man was out. He was concealed back of some fence, but somebody at some distance among the bushes was kicking up the dust about 15 feet in front of him. The old man kept moving a little, but, every time he did, the bullets followed him at about the same distance away. He had to keep under cover. But finally he discovered that this good shooting chap over there was his son, Lem. Well, on the basis of soldiership that shooting should have continued, but the old Kentucky father still asserted his parental authority. He stood up and hollered, "Lem, you stop that. If there is any more of that I will come over there and lam hell out of you." [Laughter.]

Well, I like to think of these reunions and the sturdy patriotism of these men that went out. You ought to know what they did. There were 2,775,000 enlisted, as nearly as they can estimate it, in the Union Army. Of course those were not all from the State of Ohio. As nearly as we can figure there were 240,000 from the confines of Ohio. But I heard it stated along in 1904, along there, in various speeches by people who knew what they were saying, that considering the people right from Ohio, within her boundaries, that enlisted, and then the transplanted sons of Ohio, across to California, that one-fifth of the Union Army was either formerly or directly from Ohio. [Applause.]

Right past this building there is Route 40, the National Road opened up by act of Congress about 1918, and it provided that the underbrush be cut 40 feet on either side of the central axis from a point on the Ohio River, at Bridgeport, clear across to the Mississippi. It passes through the seats of government of three States—Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois—to end on the Mississippi. It was the path of empire, over which progressive, courageous pioneers laboriously journeyed from New England, Pennsylvania, and the East out to the great domain of the West.

At the time that speech was made the great State of Indiana—I saw a good many of you comrades from there today—had two Senators, Beveridge and Fairbanks, both born in Ohio. The State of Michigan had one Senator, Burrows, born in Ohio. West Virginia had Senator Elkins, born in Ohio. So they were scattered everywhere, and were a very prolific race.

Your State is a pretty good State notwithstanding that you were transplanted sons and daughters. But we get you back here when there is any excuse that warrants your coming. These convention folks like to come here from all over the country because it is the center of things. And we like to have you here.

We are now at a point where I think we ought to have those news commentators tell you the truth about things going on. I agree with

this old man of the Twenty-fifth Ohio, about anybody that could not live up to the American flag and love an American woman ought to go to certain territory. I say right now in this year 1941, any man that is not happy in living under the protection of the folds of that flag, that cannot freely subscribe to aid in the defense of our free institutions and have a reverence and veneration for the history of this United States of America ought to go to hell or some place where it is a little bit hotter. [Applause.]

They used to say that Dante, the man that wrote the *Inferno* and *Paradise Lost*, had been through hell, and we believe that he didn't know as much about it as the men who had been through it. You men in the days of blood and iron of 1861 to 1865 had gone through hell and lived through it and came out of it. It didn't hurt you a bit.

I sometimes think of you comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic who have lived around here as long as you have, because you are not living in the past—you are still glorious optimists. Because as soon as you comrades get away from this national encampment here and go home, you will be figuring on what you are going to do at the next national encampment and when it will be. [Applause.] You will be up in the air.

The thing I claim—I have studied this deeply, from my father's living since that time—it is psychological, this scriptural record of three score and ten. That is not true. You take and study that. There is more than that given there—strength and years. It says that additional strength is given you and you will go on. You men are going on, thank God.

Sometimes they refer to you as "that fading line of Blue." I resent that adjective "fading." It may be thinning, but under the providence of God it is not fading. [Applause.] It is as true blue as it ever was.

Now I frequently say that we pay tribute to you. But the word "tribute" does not mean anything. You men have sacrificed and struggled and suffered for the welfare of your country, and your comrades died by the thousands. And they talk about losses in battle—about what happened at Waterloo and in other wars of the world.

Your comrades, particularly of the First Maine Artillery, at the Battle of Fredericksburg on the site of Fort Stedman, sustained the greatest loss that has been known in modern warfare. They went into that battle with 9,000 effective men and in less than 15 minutes 635 of them were down—dead or wounded—the greatest loss ever known in the warfare of the world. When "Pap" Thomas repulsed Hood in the Battle of Franklin, in 3 hours there were more generals killed and wounded than there were at Gettysburg in 3 days. Thirteen of the Confederate generals were killed or wounded there in 3 hours, and the Fifth Georgia lost 50 percent of its men. There were 5 brothers in that regiment and all were killed.

We must think about those things. I hope to God that this Republic will have the leadership and the courage and the foresight and the patriotism among its statesmen to keep this Republic of ours in our time so fair and just and generous to people that it would never call in vain for people to defend it. [Applause.]

Of course we in Ohio have got a right to boast a little bit about the Civil War. We furnished some pretty good folks there for our leaders.



There was Grant, Sherman, Sheridan, McCook, gallant George Custer, who was major general 25 years, and a dozen other I might name—glorious McPherson—and all the grand and glorious names, besides 40,000 enlistments within 15 days after Lincoln called for 75,000 volunteers. Ohio alone had responded with 80,000 of the very flower of manhood to defend their country and resent the insult to its flag.

They all the time talk about this going to be the last encampment, probably. You must not be pessimistic about that. They do not know the vigor, the vitality, and the urge to live that you men possess. It is going to be a good while yet. like I have known here survivors of the Mexican War, who honored this country.

I hope to God that the American people will never forget what you did for them. I like to characterize you men here today with us as the rear guard of that old Grand Army of the Republic which represented, to my mind, the greatest generation of men who have ever trod this earth since the morning stars first sang together and the sons of God shouted for joy. [Applause.]

The time will come when we will go out to the beautiful God's acres of our cemeteries, and we will have to say of you, as on Memorial Day and every day we say of your comrades that have gone on before:

They have gone from the land their labors have blest,  
Where their fathers have gone on before them,  
Where ages on ages shall disturb not their rest  
As the Nation its garlands twines o'er them.

Sleep on! Sleep on 'neath the emerald sod,  
As we come to remember and leave you.  
We leave you—we leave you to earth and to God,  
As we strew the fair flowers above you.

Now I like to visualize you folks as the rear guard of that great army. The great army has crossed the last river into the happy kingdom land of the eternal morning and the fadeless day. We project that river and soon you will go over, and then you will meet your comrades and your wonderful commanders that you knew in those days of blood and iron.

I tell my Sons of Veterans and the American people it does not do any good for us to pay word worship. The perfect tribute that we can pay you is to meet the problems that are facing our Republic today—and God knows there are many of them. Face those problems today in the same patriotic, manly, and heroic fashion that you faced them in your time. I thank you all. [Applause.]

I am thankful I have lived to this moment for one reason. For years I have been hearing over the radio this wonderful Marine Band that we have with us. This is the first time that I have seen it and heard it personally. And to you, Captain Santelmann and your wonderful organization, I bid you Godspeed, long life, and happiness. [Applause.]

Chairman CROSS. The next number will be a song by four colored boys, grandsons of men born in slavery whom the Boys in Blue freed.

Comrade L. SNYDER, of Wisconsin. I have got something on my heart, and I can't get it out. My father and mother were pioneers in this country and I got my first lessons from the lips of free people.

There is something now lacking. We call our country a great democracy, this great country of ours, the greatest country in the whole world. I hope it will kind of open their eyes to realize what we are here for. We are here for some good purpose, and God wants us to use it for a free country and a free people. It is like it was in the days of old—it goes in one ear and out of the other. They don't heed it. I say we are not fit to live without we come right near God, the way our Lord and Master did. We have all got to go and we better get ready for that better land. So I admonish you, I adjure you to think about it. This is the best country in the world, and we must have that brotherly love that Christ had. That is about all I have got to say. I hope and pray that the time will come when the nations all will get down on their knees and pray to God for guidance to keep them. [Applause.]

("Tenting on the Old Campground" and "Jesus is a Rock," by the quartette.) [Applause.]

Chairman CROSS. We have a little matter here between the Commander in Chief and his chief of staff, Comrade Ridenour.

Chief of Staff THOMAS RIDENOUR, of Ohio. I have a little presentation here to be made to the commander in chief. I want the national commander of the Sons of Veterans here. In behalf of the Grand Army of the Republic, let me present you this. [Presenting the commander in chief with the jeweled badge of a past commander in chief, which was pinned upon the breast of Commander in Chief Nixon by Dr. J. Kirkwood Craig, commander in chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.]

Commander in Chief NIXON. This is a very beautiful thing. Thank you very much for it.

Dr. CRAIG. Thank you, sir, for the high privilege you gave me as commander in chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War for the privilege of pinning this past commander in chief's badge upon the breast of our commander in chief, Comrade William W. Nixon, of Jewell, Kans. I consider this one of the greatest honors that has been conferred upon me.

Chairman CROSS. The next number is music by Charlotte Gamble's Accordion Band. They played at the World's Fair in New York. Charlotte Gamble's grandfather fought with you Boys in Blue.

(Music, Charlotte Gamble's Accordion Band.)

Chairman CROSS. We thank you for those numbers by your splendid band.

The Glee Club will now sing. This morning at breakfast one of the sisters came to me and said she wanted to request a number. She is from Kentucky, and she wanted the Glee Club to sing for her and the girls of old Kentucky "My Old Kentucky Home."

(The Glee Club rendered that selection, and also "Dixie," receiving hearty applause.)

Chairman CROSS. We thank you very much. That was the nationally known Columbus Republican Glee Club.

Any of the comrades want to speak briefly, or sing, or pray, or anything? This is your program, you know. If it was not for you, God bless you, we would not be here. Any of the comrades that want to speak briefly or sing a song?



Senior Vice Commander in Chief THOMAS AMBROSE. Mr. Chairman, commander in chief, comrades, and friends of the Grand Army of the Republic, as I passed through the lobby of the hotel I caught the remark: "Oh, yes; a fine bunch of old fellows, now in their dotage." I didn't like that. Had he said "anecdotalage" it would have been nearer to the fact.

Back there in Chicago where I came from, it now looks like the golden age of the Grand Army. Chicago, that never does anything in a small way, has carried this idea to nth power. They have actually pulled down a number of cloud-kissing skyscrapers in the loop, and in their stead have erected what appear to be memorial building, each carrying in great golden characters G. A. R.—wait! "G. A. R. Age"—which to us can only mean the golden age of the Grand Army of the Republic. Of course we're old; but what of that?

The sun is old, and yet not cold  
In warm effulgent rays,  
The old moon, too, comes out anew  
In every monthly phase:  
And then there's wine, that's only fine  
When men its age appraise.  
The Boys in Blue are tried and true;  
They hail from the ancient days.

It is safe to say that every Grand Army man has cleared the ninetieth hurdle and is now sprinting toward the century post. It is but natural that he should look back upon the trail he has come and reminisce.

I remember away back in 1936 that the Boys in Blue marched up Pennsylvania Avenue in the Capital City of the Nation which their loyalty and valor preserved from dismemberment. Not with the swinging stride and singing hearts of 70 years before, but still showing something of the indomitable spirit that carried them through 4 years of sanguinary conflict to victory and peace. Not a man left the ranks of the marching column until the reviewing stand was passed and the parade dismissed.

Every day during the week of the encampment the local newspapers carried the depressing headline "Last Rally of the Boys in Blue." Where did they get that stuff? Was the wish father to the thought? Let us hope not, but Washington always has been and still is southern in sentiment. Had the gentlemen of the press waited until the last day of the encampment they could have heard the clear announcement that the Boys in Blue would meet and march in Madison in 1937. They met and marched in Des Moines in 1938; in Pittsburgh in 1939, in Springfield in 1940, and now we are here in the Capital City named for the bold navigator who discovered us.

Here in the great State of Ohio, from which our great commander in chief, Abraham Lincoln, looking for a commander who has done things, discarded all outmoded and moth-eaten precedents, and at the same time selected three great leaders from one State—Grant, Sherman, and Sheridan, who, with the one great Virginian who was loyal, George H. Thomas, the Rock of Chickamauga, won the war for the Union.

The thin blue line grows thinner year by year, but we are not quitters. There is always someone, somewhere to say that we are

done; that we are through; but we never have been, and it is not safe to count us out now.

It can never be until on some distant day a young bugler stands forth and blows "To the Colors" and waits—blows again and waits—and nobody comes. The last of the Boys in Blue, the last member of the Grand Army of the Republic has answered the last roll call!

But that time is not yet come! Not yet are we all "gone with the wind" the title of a best seller written by a young woman of the solid South, who according to her own admission was 12 years of age before she knew that the South had not won the war!

A fine environment for a school of education in which to acquire authentic information concerning the magnanimous Sherman and his magnificent men who broke the backbone of the slaveholders' rebellion. Sherman, who gave Savannah the best municipal government it had ever had, whose lumbermen from the woods of Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan in 16 days built a corduroy wagon road through 100 miles of South Carolina timbered swampland and came out opposite Columbia fine and fit to lick their weight in wildcats. When the rebel general, Joe Johnston, heard of this superhuman achievement he threw up his hands and exclaimed: "There has been no such army since Julius Caesar. We are lost!" And so, after Goldsboro and Bentonville, he was. *Gone With the Wind* is fiction, and should be treated as fiction.

The little brown button now so seldom seen should be the wearer's hallmark of good citizenship in time of peace, as it is a token of loyalty and devotion to duty in the hour of his country's need.

Always am I proud to be recognized as a Grand Army man, as was my father also—member of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, both loyal Kentuckians and 100-percent American.

Chairman Cross. Attention, please. The Daughters of Union Veterans take up the program after we have finished here. In the meantime let us have Grandfather's Clock, by Theodore A. Penland, of Portland, Oreg., national patriotic instructor.

Comrade PENLAND. One time out in the Indian country a poor family was nearly starving. A friend came along and Indian Joe said, "We got no money." The friend told him to go to the bank. Early the next morning Joe went to the bank and the banker asked him what he wanted. Joe said, "\$200." "What have you got for security?" Joe said, "150 or 200 ponies." The banker said, "Come back in the morning. I think maybe I can let you have that money." And the next morning when Joe went back they fixed up the papers and Joe got the money. When it came time to pay it back Joe sold a bunch of the ponies and got more money than he owed the bank. When he paid the bank he mentioned that he had \$200 left. The banker said, "Why don't you put it in the bank?" And Joe asked, "You got any ponies?" [Laughter.]

(Comrade Penland then sang Grandfather's Clock, receiving hearty applause from the audience.)

Past Commander in Chief ROBERT M. ROWND. The Lord gave me a voice so that I can talk to you without using this instrument, and that



is the way I propose to talk—not that I have very much to say because there is a fine entertainment coming, concerning which you have no information. It will be a very great pleasure for you to hear and see. For that reason I am going to say that you have something better than anything that I might say to you tonight.

Chairman CROSS. That was Past Commander in Chief Robert M. Rownd. Comrade Charles Wingrove, of Kansas, will recite Lincoln's Gettysburg Address.

(Comrade Wingrove was roundly applauded at the conclusion of the recitation.)

Comrade ALBERT E. GAGE, of Illinois. I am one of the volunteers. I am just going to give you a real reminiscence and I will let you be the judge of whether it is a fact or not. The second battle our regiment was in was Prairie Grove, Ark. At 2 o'clock in the morning we started 110 miles forced march. By the next morning at 10 o'clock we were out fighting the battle of Prairie Grove. There were three different charges made. There was one ahead of us. The Twenty-fourth Wisconsin was one of the regiments. We were the last regiment to go into the battle. As we were going up we passed a wounded boy lying on the ground. He was moaning, "Who will care for mother now?" My theme is that the expression of that Wisconsin boy was the inception of Who Will Care for Mother Now? There were hundreds of incidents of that kind, events during the Civil War that became popular songs.

This being our seventy-fifth anniversary, our diamond jubilee, I want to express my sentiment that there never have been incidents of war in any nation or any part of the world, and there never will be again, such incidents as were brought about in the Civil War by both the North and the South. Now that being the fact, I just want to give you a little amusing incident which has no bearing whatever on what I have been saying.

The last 10 miles going into battle double quick, the Second Arkansas, a new cavalry regiment, had been bested. Going into the battle here was the first ridge. One of the Second Arkansas came by. I didn't know what it meant. He was on a mule running from the battle. Some of the boys hollered and he yelled back, "Second Arkansas." And the mule let out "Ee-haw, Ee-Ah-h." I never heard such a sound in all my life. It was comic at the time, and that was not a comic battle in any sense of the word.

Colonel Price, as he rode in between the lines, when we were driven off of the hill where the fight took place, along with the Twenty-fourth Wisconsin—there wasn't a whimper in any sense of the word—he said, "You damn fools, you don't know when you are whipped," and rode away.

Chairman CROSS. George A. Gay will speak for the Navy. Comrade Gay, will you please come forward promptly? Let us not forget that tomorrow night at 8:30 is the grand reception in the rotunda of the Statehouse. The Governor of Ohio and all of the presidents of the allied organizations will be in the receiving line. The Marine Band will play. It will be a grand event. Let us all be present tomorrow night at this reception.

Comrade GEORGE A. GAY, of Massachusetts. Mr. Chairman, veterans of all wars, and our affiliated associations, veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic, our allied organizations, and friends, Lincoln said in his Gettysburg Address, in substance, that what was said there would be soon forgotten, but that what you boys did there would never be forgotten. What is said here tonight may not be remembered, but what the people of this State and city have done for us here we will always remember. I was here at the last encampment. When we were escorted to the hotel everything was in readiness. We had a beautiful spread there. I thank the citizens of this State for they were glorious and fine. I shall never forget the night we arrived here. They were magnificent.

I know something of your history. I know of your patriotism. It is a patriotic State. And not only are you patriotic, but you are hospitable.

Now, later on I may have something that I wish to tell you, but I know that time is passing along and there are a lot of other speakers that can speak perhaps better than I can. I thank you for asking me to come up here. [Applause.]

Chairman CROSS. Comrade Warner will recite the roll call of his regiment, and while he is coming up I will say that Cornelius Neil Boyer celebrates his ninety-fifth birthday on Thursday. Will he please come up and be introduced?

Comrade MARTIN J. WARNER, of Michigan. Commander in Chief and my comrades. In the audience there are a great many of you who have heard me call the roll of my company, and I presume that there are a good many that have not. So I will take this opportunity to call the roll of Company H, Seventeenth Illinois Cavalry:

"Andrews first, Andrews second, Andrews third, Andrews fourth, Abbott, Arnold, Blissman, Boltman, Bariball, Bederman, Boneer, Bankert, Bond first, Bond second, Cavanaugh, Corkins, Dewberry, Decker, Dunn, Dunavan, Dissler, Earle, Fry, Grumbine, Hoagland, Haines, Hax, Kethlin, Ketcham, Kurasser, Land, Lott, Lyon, Ledstrum, McCahey, McMaster, Morgan, Miner, Morris, Price, Rippey, Ryan, Rutby, Redder, Rake, Robinson, Rhinehart, Sharlow, Smith first, Smith second, Scott, Sanger, Towers, Voltman, Weikle, Warner, Wernicke first, Wernicke second, Walker, Wenkland, Young." [Applause.]

Chairman CROSS. Friends, this is Cornelius Neil Boyer, of Sacramento, Calif., came all the way and will be 95 years old Thursday. [Applause.]

(Happy Birthday to You sung by the audience.)

Comrade BOYER. This is against my will to get up before you, but I have some friends down there who wanted me to come up here. I will be 95 years old on Thursday, this coming Thursday, and I am going to celebrate my birthday here while I am among a few friends here. I came a long way from California here and I will go a long way to get back again. I told my folks if the train stayed on the track I would get back again. I thank you very much. If you are here on Thursday celebrate with me. Now, listen. I don't want any presents. I have got too many of them at home already. I just want your good



will and your friendship, and everything will be all right. I thank you. [Applause.]

(Music, United States Marine Band.)

Chairman CROSS. There is one lady here that I think all of you should know, and many of you do already. I am pleased to present Miss Irma Nixon, the daughter of the commander in chief. [Applause.]

The benediction will be by Rabbi Lee J. Levinger, past national chaplain of the American Legion.

Rabbi LEVINGER. Let us rise. Will you remain standing for taps at the close.

O Lord, our God, we thank Thee for this our country, for its strength, its beauty, its glorious history. We thank Thee that generation after generation men have risen to serve and save the Republic.

We ask Thy blessing upon this great organization in whose honor we are all assembled here tonight, upon these men who have come together as Thy dear friends and as sons of the Republic. We ask Thy blessing upon each of them, these honored guests, these noble souls, these great survivors of a great generation of Americans; and in their example and in their presence we ask Thy blessing upon us all, that we, too, in our hours and in our days may serve and save the Republic, if not as they did, yet as best we can in this our common citizenship, our common brotherhood, our common love for them; we ask Thy blessing upon our country and upon ourselves. Amen.

(Taps, United States Marine Band.)

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
WHO ATTENDED THE NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, REGISTERED AT  
NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

Alden, George W., Nineteenth Unattached Massachusetts Infantry, New Bedford, Mass.  
 Ambrose, Thomas, Fifty-third Kentucky Mounted Infantry, Chicago, Ill.  
 Ames, Elisha, Twenty-second Michigan Infantry, West Los Angeles, Calif.  
 Amadon, Frank E., Eighteenth New Hampshire Infantry, Keene, N. H.  
 Anderson, A. T., First West Virginia Cavalry, Washington, Pa.  
 Barker, William P., Fifteenth Ohio Infantry, Columbus, Ohio.  
 Bennett, John R., One Hundred and Eightieth Ohio Infantry, Waynesfield, Ohio.  
 Bowser, Joshua C., One Hundred and Third Pennsylvania Infantry, Columbus, Ohio.  
 Boyer, C. N., Two Hundred and Fourteenth Pennsylvania Infantry, West Sacramento, Calif.  
 Bronson, John E., Massachusetts Light Artillery, East Dedham, Mass.  
 Brown, Francis, U. S. S. *Hartford*, United States Navy, Kansas City, Kans.  
 Bryan, Robert T., One Hundred and Forty-fifth Illinois Infantry, Boulder, Colo.  
 Bryant, William P., Forty-eight Wisconsin Infantry, Milwaukee, Wis.  
 Butterfield, Lyman E., Third Maine Infantry, Manchester, N. H.  
 Castle, Oliver H., Seventy-second Ohio Infantry, Los Angeles, Calif.  
 Chappell, August F., Sixth Ohio Cavalry, Detroit, Mich.  
 Coffin, Otis L., Thirteenth Maine Infantry, Freeport, Maine.  
 Coleman, Richard E., One Hundred and Thirty-sixth Illinois Infantry, Lincoln, Nebr.  
 Cowan, Dr. Edward H., One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Indiana Infantry, Dallas, Tex.  
 Douglass, Charles, Fifteenth Connecticut Infantry, New Haven, Conn.  
 Driscoll, Dennis J., Third Massachusetts Cavalry, Roslindale, Mass.  
 Dumser, John S., Fifty-second Illinois Infantry, Oakland, Calif.  
 Easterly, Lewis H., Ninth Illinois Infantry, Gunnison, Colo.  
 Fogler, John M., Fourteenth Maine Infantry, Skowhegan, Maine.  
 Gabrio, Alfred, One Hundred and Thirty-ninth Illinois Infantry, Hazleton, Pa.  
 Gage, Albert E., Thirty-seventh Illinois Infantry, Chicago, Ill.  
 Gay, George A., U. S. S. *Harvest Moon*, United States Navy, Nashua, N. H.  
 Glenn, William M., One Hundred and Thirtieth Illinois Infantry, Belleville, Ill.  
 Goolsby, Ancel, Seventh Minnesota Infantry, Chetek, Wis.  
 Graham, Richard R., Twenty-first Kansas Infantry, Madisonville, Ky.  
 Grimes, John W., One Hundred and Forty-eighth Indiana Infantry, Long Beach, Calif.  
 Hendee, Alfred, One Hundred and Twenty-eighth Indiana Infantry, Panama, Nebr.  
 Heyer, Charles A., Eighth Vermont Infantry, St. Johnsbury, Vt.  
 Hieston, Lewis M., Pleasantville, Ohio.  
 Hollingsworth, Jonathan, Thirty-third Illinois Infantry, Kansas City, Mo.  
 Hooper, William L., One Hundred and Seventy-fourth Ohio Infantry, Columbus, Ohio.  
 Johnson, George W., First United States Colored Infantry, Kansas City, Mo.  
 Jones, Albert, Forty-fourth Missouri Infantry, Boise, Idaho.  
 Jones, George H., Twenty-seventh Unattached Company, Maine Infantry, Oxford, Maine.  
 Jones, James F., Thirty-ninth Wisconsin Infantry, Oconomowoc, Wis.  
 Joslin, Bryon W., One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Ohio Infantry, Sidney, Ohio.  
 Kibbe, Alonzo, Twelfth Wisconsin Light Battery, New Richmond, Wis.  
 LaValley, Orlando, Twenty-third Michigan Infantry, Caro, Mich.  
 Lewis, James, Third United States Colored Cavalry, Chicago, Ill.  
 McConnell, John, Minnesota Cavalry, Le Sueur, Minn.



- McCoy, William H., Fortieth New Jersey Infantry, Trenton, N. J.  
 McMurray, A. T., Ninth Ohio Cavalry, Parkersburg, W. Va.  
 Mack, Henry, Fifty-seventh United States Colored Infantry, Minneapolis, Minn.  
 Merrick, C. E., One Hundred and Forty-seventh Illinois Infantry, Los Angeles, Calif.  
 Miller, John W., Fifteenth Wisconsin Infantry, Osseo, Wis.  
 Mooker, Jacob, One Hundred and Twenty-eighth Indiana Infantry, Valparaiso, Ind.  
 Moreau, August, U. S. S. *Monitor*, United States Navy, St. Louis, Mo.  
 Morris, Edwin, One Hundred and Seventy-ninth New York Infantry, Elmira, N. Y.  
 Myers, Milton H., One Hundred and Tenth Ohio Infantry, Park Ridge, Ill.  
 Needles, C. W., Sixth United States Infantry, Springfield, Ohio.  
 Nixon, William W., Second Pennsylvania Heavy Artillery, Jewell, Kans.  
 Noll, Thomas J., One Hundred and Forty-sixth Illinois Infantry, Des Moines, Iowa.  
 Osborn, William H., One Hundred and Seventeenth Indiana Infantry, Joplin, Mo.  
 Owen, Eugene, One Hundred and Seventy-seventh Ohio Infantry, Grand Rapids, Mich.  
 Parsons, Truman N., First Connecticut Heavy Artillery, Stratford, Conn.  
 Pearce, Joshua C., Ninth Iowa Cavalry, Denver, Colo.  
 Penland, Theodore A., One Hundred and Fifty-second Indiana Infantry, Portland, Oreg.  
 Perry, Charles H., Thirteenth United States Infantry, Minneapolis, Minn.  
 Pfister, Frederick, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Ohio Infantry, Cincinnati, Ohio.  
 Pierce, Orrin S., One Hundred and Forty-sixth Illinois Infantry, Minneapolis, Minn.  
 Plowman, David C., Twenty-first Pennsylvania Cavalry, Verona, Pa.  
 Reed, Rustan O., Forty-third Wisconsin Infantry, Seattle, Wash.  
 Regli, Balthasar, Twenty-fifth Wisconsin Infantry, Chelek, Wis.  
 Ridenour, Thomas, One Hundred and Eighty-second Ohio Infantry, Crestline, Ohio.  
 Robbins, David M., First Ohio Cavalry, Cincinnati, Ohio.  
 Rownd, Robert M., Ninth Ohio Cavalry, Ripley, N. Y.  
 Sawyer, Rev. E. H., Eighth Michigan Infantry, Minco, Okla.  
 Sharp, Isaac N., First Ohio Cavalry, Warsaw, Ind.  
 Shearer, John, Twelfth Wisconsin Light Battery, Houston, Tex.  
 Shumate, Hiram H., Thirteenth United States Infantry, Riverton, Ill.  
 Smick, John H., Second Michigan Cavalry, Kenton, Ohio.  
 Smith, John W., Eighty-seventh Ohio Infantry, Santa Cruz, Calif.  
 Snow, Samuel, First Massachusetts Heavy Artillery, Marblehead, Mass.  
 Snyder, Lawrence, U. S. S. *Adventure*, United States Navy, Woneewoc, Wis.  
 Stone, Barney, One Hundred and Eighth United States Colored Infantry, Noblesville, Ind.  
 Stone, Dr. John H., One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Indiana Infantry, Kokomo, Ind.  
 Stormes, Ira, Second Michigan Cavalry, Salt Lake City, Utah.  
 Stritch, Thomas H., Thirteenth Connecticut Infantry, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
 Stuart, George F., Thirtieth Maine Infantry, Freeport, Maine.  
 Summers, George H., Fortieth Missouri Infantry, Rockford, Ill.  
 Taylor, Elliott P., Fourth Iowa Cavalry, Newton, Iowa.  
 Warner, Martin J., Seventeenth Illinois Cavalry, Grand Rapids, Mich.  
 Wells, Theodore, Ninety-eighth Ohio Infantry, Cambridge, Ohio.  
 Wilcox, Lansing A., Fourth Wisconsin Cavalry, Tacoma, Wash..  
 Williams, Thomas B., Fifteenth Illinois Infantry, Chapman, Kans.  
 Wilmington, Oscar N., Fifty-seventh Indiana Infantry, Indianapolis, Ind.  
 Wingrove, Charles, Third West Virginia Cavalry, Clay Center, Kans.

## THE GRAND PARADE

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The following accounts of the parade held on Wednesday forenoon, September 17, 1941, are taken from the Columbus papers of that and the following day:

[From the Columbus (Ohio) Citizen]

### FIVE VETERANS MARCH ROUTE—CHEERING THRONGS LINE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC PARADE SCENE; WAR PLANES ROAR OVERHEAD

Over the slick, wet cobbles in the bright sunlight of morning, a glorious blue-clad army—distinguished through 80 years of marching—encircled Ohio's capitol square today.

The flags of free America festooned the streets, and the citizenry—applauding, waving, and tossing flowers—jostled in the square and stood three and four deep along the curb as they renewed allegiance to the Grand Army of the Republic.

They mobilized at Memorial Hall, striking the city's center from the east. The bugle snarled the-devil-is-loose, the-devil-is-loose as the veteran soldiers fell in. They were marching the way Abraham Lincoln's martyred body had gone.

This was the third time the Union Army has taken Columbus since the boys from the north marched away from the cornfields singing, We Are Coming, Father Abraham, Three Hundred Thousand Strong.

The soldiers stormed the town in 1888 with Gen. William Tecumseh Sherman among the multitude, then hundreds less came back in 1919 for the Grand Army of the Republic encampment. That day they marched in a downpour, and today the veterans puff their chests and claim younger soldiers dashed for shelter that day.

But as they squared away at Memorial Hall this morning, only dozens still were able to follow that call of Father Abraham, and the pavements glistened with a sun hotter than the sun that came up through the red dawn at Shiloh when the Tennessee peach blossoms fluttered and the rebels were coming up through the dew thicker than Spanish needles in a fence corner.

### MARINE BAND PLAYS

In their fine uniforms of red and blue and gold the United States Marine bandsmen swung westward in Broad Street, playing the Battle Hymn of the Republic.

"We have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord."

Commander in Chief William Washington Nixon, 95, of Jewell, Kans., led his men down the street. He rode in an auto at the head of the column, while many other autos followed him.

But they marched—yes, it was a handful.

Sprinting along in his suit of blue, spry A. E. Gage, 97, of Chicago, declared at the start he would be leading the parade when it rounded the State capitol and swung past the reviewing stand on the north side of the capitol square.

### "MY LAST PARADE"

But first to finish was Jacob Mooker, 99, of Valparaiso, Ind., who hastened to a gasoline station and ordered a bottle of orange pop. Comrade Mooker sat down, alternately bragged and admitted his age.

"I could go another one. But this is my last parade. I'll never march in another one. I'm getting too young."

J. W. Petri, 91, of Denver, and R. R. Graham, 96, of Madisonville, Ky., were among the boys who mustered in afoot. Comrade Graham, Kentucky's last boy



in blue, declared there would always be a Kentucky comrade marching as long as his feet would move up and down.

So down the street came the boys in blue, waving canes and smiling as the hurrahs reached their ears. Shading their faces with their black campaign hats, the grand old men peered to left and right.

#### ARMY PLANES ROAR OVER

Breaking police lines at curbs, spectators rushed to the autos to shake the veterans' hands.

As the parade reached Third Street and turned south, three huge Army planes, a transport flanked by bombers, roared through the blue sky, dipping and wheeling in V formation.

To keep the hot asphalt and granite blocks as cool as possible for the marching men, the city service department went ahead with sprinklers, releasing cooling streams of water.

Down Third Street the veterans marched, and the planes came back as they swung west in Town Street north in High Street. The Marine Band filled the High Street canyon with thrilling music, the Stars and Stripes Forever.

Comrade Gage, of the Illinois Ninety-seventh had a young boy beside him as he rounded the corner at Town and High Streets. "I'll make it to the finish line," he said. "But this boy is here to help me."

#### THRONGS CHEER

Cheers rose louder and louder as the Grand Army came up High Street. Business halted in shops and offices, as thousands rushed to the windows. "Hurrah for the boys in blue!" came the shouts.

William McKinley, a young man compared with the men who marched, looked down from his bronze pedestal as the old men trudged northward, then swung down Broad Street toward the reviewing stand.

Thousands lined Broad Street, with 7,500 in the grandstand adjoining the reviewing stand. Five veterans marched past the reviewing stand.

They were Messrs. Gage, Mooker, Graham, O. H. Castle, 94, Los Angeles, and Alfred Hendee, 95, Panama, Nebr. After the great ovation, the veterans returned to the reviewing stand to watch the rest of the parade.

Commander in Chief Nixon mounted the steps to join Governor Bricker, Mayor Green, and other State and city officials who a few minutes earlier had saluted him as he rode by.

It took 65 minutes for the parade to pass the reviewing stand.

#### STATE GUARD MARCHES

Striding along in its new uniforms was the new Ohio home guard. The United States Army armored force shook the buildings as its "jeeps" and heavier gear rolled through the streets.

Yes, Sherman's 62,000 poured from Atlanta into the flat fields of Georgia to "devour the land like locusts," but the power of the armored units seemed able to completely destroy any terrain.

After the display of war might came the ladies and the sons and the daughters of Union veterans. Their white and red and blue uniforms were bright in the sunlight.

Commander Nixon was 20 minutes getting away from the grandstand where he reviewed the parade with his staff, because of the throngs who attempted to shake his hand or pat him on the back. He was visibly moved by the acclaim.

He could only say: "It (the parade) was fine, fine—grand, grand."

George A. Gay, Boston, member of the executive board and a candidate for commander in chief at the election tomorrow, referred to the parade as magnificent.

#### WATCHED FROM CAR

Mr. Gay, along with scores of other veterans, sat in a car in front of the reviewing stand.

Commenting on the five veterans who marched, Mr. Gay paid them tribute and added:

"They had the inspiration but it was too much. I told several of my fellows this morning, nothing doing, when they said they wanted to march. Nobody is going to pick you up along the street."

First veteran to arrive by car at the reviewing stand was Thomas Ridenour, 95, Crestline, chief of staff.

He was joined in a few minutes by Rev. W. L. Hooper, 95, of 914 Studer Avenue, and Capt. Eugene Merrick, 87, Los Angeles.

Commander Nixon rode in his car in the parade and did not reach the reviewing stand until the G. A. R. veterans and allied groups had passed. Governor Bricker took the salutes until Mr. Nixon arrived.

#### 156 POLICEMEN ON JOB

Rev. Joshua Pearce, 96, Denver, Colo., chaplain in chief, stood with Commander Nixon acknowledging the salutes from allied groups, Legionnaires, Veterans of Foreign Wars, the State guard, and the Columbus Drum and Bugle Corps.

Miss Irma Nixon, the commander's daughter, also stood with her father as the marchers passed in review.

A burst of cheering greeted each veteran whether he walked or rode in a car. At the reviewing stand when Richard R. Graham, the Kentucky veteran, came by, a deafening roar greeted him from the thousands of onlookers.

Police Chief Otto Kaffis had 156 policemen and detectives along the parade route. There were 36 motorcycle men.

[From the Columbus (Ohio) Evening Dispatch]

#### BOMBERS ROAR IN SKIES AS BOYS IN BLUE MARCH—CITY PAYS HOMAGE TO HEROES OF CIVIL WAR

Buoyed by the boundless pride in the undying heritage they had left the Nation, the fading moments of a stirring era in the country's history moved slowly down Columbus streets Wednesday morning to the cheers of throngs who came to pay them homage.

Only a corporal's guard of the once mighty army of 1,000,000 men who fought to preserve the Union marched in the diamond jubilee parade of the Grand Army of the Republic.

They were joined by tokens of present-day Army might, huge bombers flying overhead, armored cars bristling with the rapid-fire weapons of today, but these were merely the Nation's recognition of the foundation laid by the Boys in Blue.

Those three bombers and the portion of the mechanized division could probably have won the Civil War in a matter of months or even days, but their presence could not dim the glory of the Grand Army of the Republic.

On legs made strong by the marching songs which led them to victory 76 years ago, a handful of members of the Grand Army of the Republic braved a bright autumn sun and near midsummer heat to fulfill their destiny as heroes.

But four of the half dozen Boys in Blue traveled the entire mile-long parade route on foot. Two fell in at points along the line of march, while 74 others traveled by auto. A total of 93 has been registered for the convention.

Smartly uniformed units of modern armies could not detract from the colorful courage of the thinning line that tramped toward immortality.

Behind the marching veterans came a great cortège of automobiles, each filled with other members of the Grand Army of the Republic, all of them taking part in the seventy-fifth annual encampment of this once enormous veterans' organization.

Those marching were: O. H. Castle, age 94, Los Angeles, Calif.; Jacob Mooker, age 99, Valparaiso, Ind.; Richard R. Graham, age 96, Madisonville, Ky.; A. A. Gage, age 96, Chicago, Ill.; Alfred Hendee, age 95, Panama, Nebr.; Edwin Morris, New York department commander.

Weakening bodies had not dulled keen minds. The veterans judged rightly their remaining strength and none fell by the wayside during the parade.

#### FIRST IN LINE

Mr. Mooker was the first veteran in the line of march and he insisted on staying with the parade until it disbanded, although the Governor and other dignitaries waited at the reviewing stand on the north side of the statehouse.



He fought with Sherman until a charge knocked his teeth out and he could no longer bite off the cartridges, but the burden of 99 years has become too much for him.

"It's my last march," he said, admitting reluctantly that the battle against the years was the only one he and his comrades could not win.

From the head of the parade came the notes carrying the words "Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord" as the United States Marine Band, one of the outstanding military bands of the world, led the marchers.

Sprinkled through the parade were the bands of the Soldiers and Sailors Orphans Home at Xenia, of organizations affiliated with the Grand Army of the Republic, of American Legion posts in bright and multicolored uniforms.

#### MODERN RIFLES

Contrasting with the muskets carried by some of the veterans and members of the auxiliary groups were the modern rifles of the Fort Hayes Regular Army units, clad in field brown summer uniforms, and the light-blue-uniformed companies of the new Ohio State Guard and Naval Militia.

In further contrast were the Army's mechanized troops from Fort Knox, Ky., and the unit of the United States Army Engineers. Riding in scout cars showing the wear of field operations, the mechanized troops carried machine guns and an antitank gun.

The engineers unit included a pontoon, an attack boat, a mobile air-compressor unit, an earth augur, a water purification system, a power plant and other mobile equipment.

Autos donated by the local Red Cross driving unit, the mayor, county commissioners, and various individuals, carried the approximately 80 aged comrades in the hour-long parade who did not march.

As they passed along downtown streets before a crowd estimated at between 75,000 and 100,000, the applause came in great waves.

At the north entrance to the statehouse grounds the veterans halted. National and department officers climbed upon the reviewing stand where they witnessed the balance of the parade in company with affiliated organization officers, Gov. John W. Bricker, Mayor Floyd F. Green, and other officials. Autos bearing the veterans were backed into the reviewing stand, and the Grand Army of the Republic members sat in the cars' seats and watched the parade.

#### NO ILL EFFECTS

Although three ambulances and two special Red Cross cars were on hand, not one veteran showed the slightest ill effect from the excitement and exertion of the long procession.

"It was a good parade," was the opinion of Commander in Chief William N. Nixon, age 95, Jewell, Kans., who sat on the reviewing stand next to the national chaplain, Rev. Joshua Pearce, age 96, of Denver. "We made a fine showing," Commander Nixon insisted.

In the line of march were the Fifth Corps Headquarters troop, led by Capt. W. P. Wickham; the Seven Hundred and Fifty-first Tank Battalion, from Fort Knox, Ky., commanded by Lt. Archie L. Corcoran, and 200 members of the Ohio State Guard, commanded by Col. Wade A. Christy.

Among the other units that paraded were the American Legion-Columbus Drum Corps; Caldwell Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Daughters of Union Veterans Drum Corps from Wooster; and bands and members of the Women's Relief Corps, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic; Daughters of Union Veterans and the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and their Auxiliary.

The Civil War Musicians, formed to perpetuate Civil War music, were in the forefront of the procession.

A squadron of three United States fighting planes roared overhead throughout the parade. They were from Wright Field, Dayton. Two were fighter-interceptor models and the third a huge two-motored bomber.

[From the Ohio State Journal]

#### THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC PARADE

Columbus put on an impressive demonstration of mass patriotism and love of country yesterday when the veterans of three wars and their progeny passed in

review during a rousing, stirring parade in the heart of the city. The fluttering flags, the music of the bands, and the efficient-looking equipment of the motorized division from Fort Knox, with bombers roaring overhead, lent a background of color as thousands of spectators paid homage and respect to the men who fought our wars in the past.

Essentially, this was a parade of the Grand Army of the Republic, a homage to men aged 89 to 104 who came here from all parts of the Nation for the annual Grand Army of the Republic encampment, which this year also was their diamond jubilee. The veterans, 89 of them, had the places of honor, but the city did not forget the men who won the Spanish-American War and the first World War.

Those who are fearful that our country again is being led unwillingly toward still another war found reassurance, so far as Columbus is concerned, in the air which surrounded yesterday's demonstration. For it was calm, patriotic, and minus hysterical cheering and handclapping. The thrill which the passing flags brought was a thrill of pride and love of country; the applause was for the aged men and feeble, a few of them marching valiantly, but most of them riding comfortably in automobiles.

It was a grand and stirring sight. No one who saw it could escape the conclusion that our country has, as a result of the men who paraded yesterday, and their comrades now gone, endured to achieve greatness; that it will endure in time to come if all the Nation displays the same calm, the same confidence, that was seen on the thousands of faces which yesterday watched and applauded as the boys in blue and those who fought in later wars passed by.





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### NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

GENERAL ORDERS No. 1 }  
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311 STATE CAPITOL,  
*Topeka, Kans., October 21, 1940.*

I. Having been elected commander in chief by the seventy-fourth national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, and installed, I hereby assume command.

II. Headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic are established in room 311, State Capitol, Topeka, Kans., where all official communications should be addressed to the adjutant general.

III. The following appointments are announced:

Adjutant general: Russell C. Martin, Los Angeles, Calif.

Quartermaster general: A. C. Estabrook, Grand Rapids, Mich.

IV. Further appointments will be announced in future general orders.

WILLIAM W. NIXON.  
*Commander in Chief.*

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GENERAL ORDERS }  
No. 2 }  
SERIES OF 1940-41 }

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*311 State Capitol, Topeka, Kans., December 5, 1940.*

I. At the seventy-fourth national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, held in Springfield, Ill., September 8 to 13, 1940, the following-named comrades were elected to the offices designated below:

Commander in chief: William W. Nixon, Jewell, Kans.

Senior vice commander in chief: Thomas Ambrose, Chicago, Ill.

Junior vice commander in chief: Rustan O. Reed, Seattle, Wash.

Surgeon general: Dr. Edward H. Cowan, Crawfordsville, Ind.

Chaplain in chief: Rev. Joshua C. Pearce, Denver, Colo.

### NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

Alabama: Alfred N. Oliver, Birmingham, Ala.

Arkansas: J. M. Bryant, Little Rock, Ark.

California and Nevada: Russell C. Martin, Los Angeles, Calif.

Colorado and Wyoming: Lewis H. Easterly, Gunnison, Colo.

Connecticut: Truman N. Parsons, Stratford, Conn.

Delaware: Thomas Hammonds, Cheswold, Del.

Florida: C. J. Rose, Miami, Fla.

Idaho: Albert G. Jones, Boise, Idaho.

Illinois: John Burke, Chicago, Ill.

Indiana: Dr. Joseph B. Henninger, Indianapolis, Ind.

Iowa: Dr. William H. Earnest, Seymour, Iowa.

Kansas: Asa O. Gere, Stafford, Kans.

Kentucky: R. R. Graham, Madisonville, Ky.

Maine: John W. Fogler, Skowhegan, Maine.

Maryland:

Massachusetts: George A. Gay, Boston, Mass.

Michigan: Martin J. Warner, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Minnesota: Charles H. Perry, Minneapolis, Minn.

Missouri: Dr. R. B. Tyler, Joplin, Mo.

Nebraska: A. F. Rexroad, Omaha, Nebr.

New Hampshire: Frank E. Amadon, Keene, N. H.

New Jersey: William H. McCoy, Trenton, N. J.

New York: Thomas H. Stritch, Brooklyn, N. Y.



North Dakota : D. G. Duell, Devils Lake, N. Dak.

Ohio : Byron W. Joslin, Sidney, Ohio.

Oklahoma : E. H. Sawyer, Minco, Okla.

Oregon : T. A. Penland, Portland, Oreg.

Pennsylvania : A. W. Gabrio, Hazleton, Pa.

Potomac : William F. Dorsey, Washington, D. C.

Rhode Island :

South Dakota : Charles Truax, Huron, S. Dak.

Texas : John Shearer, Houston, Tex.

Utah : Ira Stormes, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Vermont : Charles Heyer, St. Johnsbury, Vt.

Virginia and North Carolina : Charles Grandy, Norfolk, Va.

Washington and Alaska : George L. Foster, Seattle, Wash.

West Virginia : A. T. McMurray, Washington, W. Va.

Wisconsin : A. R. Kibbe, New Richmond, Wis.

II. The following appointments on the staff of the commander in chief are announced :

Adjutant General : Russell C. Martin, Los Angeles, Calif.

Quartermaster General : A. C. Estabrook, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Judge Advocate General : Thomas J. Noll, Des Moines, Iowa.

Inspector General : Dr. Joseph B. Henninger, Indianapolis, Ind.

National patriotic instructor : Asa O. Gere, Stafford, Kans.

Assistant adjutant general : John Shearer, Houston, Tex.

Chief of staff : Thomas Ridenour, Crestline, Ohio.

Senior aide-de-camp : Lyman E. Butterfield, Manchester, N. H.

III. The national encampment unanimously elected as national secretary Miss Katharine R. A. Flood, of Newton, Mass., who had previously served as secretary under 22 commanders in chief by their appointment. She has been a member of the Woman's Relief Corps for more than 30 years and is a past national president of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

IV. National headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic are established in room 311, State Capitol, Topeka, Kans., where all official communications to the commander in chief and adjutant general should be addressed.

V. The department commander of California and Nevada having appointed Comrade J. S. Dumser, Oakland, Calif., a member of the national council of administration, to fill the vacancy caused by the appointment of Comrade Russell C. Martin as adjutant general, the appointment is confirmed.

VI. The executive committee will consist of the commander in chief, senior vice commander in chief, adjutant general, quartermaster general, and three comrades appointed from the department representatives on the national council of administration. The following-named comrades are appointed members of the executive committee to serve with the officers named :

George A. Gay, Boston, Mass. ; J. S. Dumser, Oakland, Calif. ; C. J. Rose, Miami, Fla.

VII. The term of Comrade William W. Nixon as trustee of the permanent fund having expired and the national encampment having failed to elect a successor, Comrade A. T. Anderson is appointed to serve until the next national encampment.

VIII. Invitations for the seventy-fifth national encampment were received from St. Louis, Mo. ; Grand Rapids, Mich., Santa Barbara, Calif. ; and Hollywood, Calif. As none of the cities extending invitations had raised the necessary funds or had them pledged from any source, the choice of meeting place for the 1941 encampment was left to the decision of the executive committee. Santa Barbara has since notified us that the money is now available and the invitation has been seconded by the cities of Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Long Beach. However, as there seems to be a sentiment among the comrades that the encampment should be held in a central location, the commander in chief would appreciate hearing from the comrades who attend the encampments as to their preference for some place in the West, in the East, or in the Middle West. He will also be glad to receive for consideration by the executive committee invitations for the 1941 encampment from cities in a position to pledge the necessary funds.

IX. All requisitions for supplies, with remittances therefor, must be sent to the quartermaster general, A. C. Estabrook, Post Office Box 433, Lansing, Mich. Drafts, checks, and money orders should be made to Quartermaster General, G. A. R. Do not send stamps.



X. Department commanders and assistant adjutants general are reminded to forward their reports, Forms C, for the term ending December 31, 1940, with per capita tax (\$1 for each member) not later than February 1, 1941. These reports must be signed by the officers and not by the secretary. Checks or money orders should be made payable to quartermaster general, G. A. R., but must be sent with Form C to Comrade Russell C. Martin, adjutant general, G. A. R., 311 State Capitol, Topeka, Kans.

XI. Assistant adjutants general are requested to forward promptly to these headquarters notice of death of any permanent member of the national encampment in their respective departments, with a brief sketch of their military and Grand Army service for publication in general orders.

XII. Assistant adjutants general are requested to forward to national headquarters immediately after receipt of these orders the department roster, the journal of the last department encampment, if not already sent, and all general orders which may be issued during the year.

XIII. Assistant adjutants general are requested to send to the chaplain in chief, Rev. Joshua C. Pearce, 1130 South Grant Street, Denver, Colo., the name and address of the department chaplain, and to the national patriotic instructor, Comrade Asa O. Gere, Stafford, Kans., the name and address of the department patriotic instructor.

XIV. Comrades are advised that requests for an opinion or an appeal from the decision of a department commander must be made to the commander in chief, who will, if necessary, ask the judge advocate general for an opinion. This opinion, to be official, must have the approval of the commander in chief.

XV. The commander in chief will visit as many encampments as his health will permit and assistant adjutants general are asked to notify him of the location of department encampments and dates as soon as possible.

XVI. At the meeting of the national council of administration, September 9, Comrade William H. McCoy, Trenton, N. J., was elected junior vice commander in chief to fill the vacancy caused by the promotion of Comrades A. T. Anderson and William W. Nixon, following the death of Commander in Chief John E. Andrew.

XVII. The following resolutions were adopted:

"1. That a telegram be sent from the encampment to Senator Minton, chairman of the Senate Committee on Pensions, urging action by the Senate on H. R. 7981 as soon as possible.

"2. Whereas, for the second time the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic is experiencing the friendly hospitality of the State of Illinois in the city of Springfield, be it

*Resolved*, That we express our thanks and appreciation to the officials and people of the State of Illinois and the city of Springfield; to Hon. Walter Hagler, chairman, and all members of the national encampment committee, to Oscar Ansell, manager of the convention bureau and his staff; to the press of the city; to the members of the various organizations of veterans of other wars; to the civic and fraternal bodies; to the police, both State and city; to the Boy Scouts; to the custodian, and staff, of the Illinois State Armory, and to the personnel of the hotels; and be it further

*Resolved*, That we express our sincere appreciation to the President of the United States and the Members of the Congress for allowing the United States Marine Band to attend this encampment, and be it further

*Resolved*, That we tender our thanks to Capt. William F. Santelmann and the members of the United States Marine Band for their generous proffer of music on all occasions."

XVIII. At the semiofficial meeting on Monday evening, September 9, the national encampment received the following gifts to help us carry on this year: Woman's Relief Corps, \$1,000; Ladies of the G. A. R., \$1,000; Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, \$1,000; Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, \$200; Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, \$500. For these gifts we are most grateful and are encouraged to believe that our allies will never fail us during our existence as an organization.

XIX. Post and department officers are again reminded that no one may serve as secretary of a post or department, but a member in good standing in one of the following organizations: Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the G. A. R., Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Such secretary does not, by this appointment, become an officer of the



post or department, does not sign reports or general orders, cannot hold Grand Army funds, nor sign checks, and must not be installed.

XX. The commander in chief wishes to thank the comrades who so loyally supported his candidacy at Springfield and promises his best efforts in behalf of the organization. He asks for the support of all his comrades and of all members of the Auxiliary and allied orders. He is grateful for his recovery from an attack of pneumonia immediately on his return from the encampment and expresses his appreciation of the many telegrams, letters, and cards of encouragement sent him during his illness.

XXI. The commander in chief, adjutant general, and secretary send their greetings for the holiday season and wish for all members of the Grand Army of the Republic and all coworkers in the Grand Army family a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

By command of—

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,  
*Adjutant General.*

WILLIAM W. NIXON,  
*Commander in Chief.*

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#### IN MEMORIAM

Comrade Mordecai H. Davidson, quartermaster general, died in office, September 6, 1940, aged 93 years. He was born near Port Washington, Ohio, November 30, 1846, and his family moved to Indiana when he was a child. He enlisted at Hulbert Buff, Ind., August 14, 1862, as private in Company A, Seventeenth Indiana Infantry, and was discharged June 22, 1865. He served in the Army of the Cumberland and participated in all the battles in which it was engaged.

Comrade Davidson settled in Louisville, Ky., in 1867 and when the Grand Army of the Republic was formed in Kentucky in 1883 he became a member of Post No. 6 in Louisville, serving as commander and adjutant. He was elected department commander in 1920, served as assistant adjutant and assistant quartermaster general of the Department of Kentucky for 12 years, was appointed inspector general by Commander in Chief Alfred E. Stacey in 1934 and when Quartermaster General John E. Andrew was elected commander in chief in Pittsburgh in 1939, he appointed Comrade Davidson as quartermaster general.

Comrade Davidson had been in the jewelry business in Louisville for many years, retiring a short time before his death. He was a gentleman of the old school and had endeared himself not only to the members of the organizations connected with the Grand Army of the Republic, but also to the veterans of the Spanish and World Wars. Our sympathy is extended to his family and to the Department of Kentucky, which has lost its most active member.

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#### ALABAMA

Comrade Alfred N. Oliver, department commander, died in office November 13, 1940, at his home in Birmingham. He enlisted in 1863 as private in Company I, Eighteenth Illinois Infantry, and was discharged in April 1865. He had served as department commander since 1937.

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#### CONNECTICUT

Comrade Andrew McGregor, senior vice department commander, died in office August 29, 1940. He enlisted in Company B, Forty-seventh New York Infantry, as private in November 1864 and was discharged August 30, 1865.

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#### IOWA

Comrade Michael Hawk, who became department commander in March 1938 on the death of Department Commander Risley and was elected department commander in June 1938, died November 16, 1940, in his ninety-fourth year. He enlisted October 18, 1864, as private in Company I, Seventy-eighth Ohio Infantry, and was discharged June 12, 1865; reenlisted November 22, 1867, in the Regular Army and was discharged in 1870.

## NEW YORK

Died October 1, 1940, Miss Bernice Case, for 36 years loyal and devoted secretary, Department of New York, Grand Army of the Republic. Our sympathy is extended to New York Department and to her family.

GENERAL ORDERS }  
No. 3 }  
SERIES OF 1940-41 }

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Memorial Building, Topeka, Kans., April 8, 1941.*

I. In accordance with the rules and regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, Friday, May 30, will be observed as Memorial Day.

"In memory of our soldier dead—  
The strong, the brave, and true—  
O skies of May shine tenderly,  
And wear your robes of blue.  
O breezes, softly, gently waft  
The fragrance of our flowers  
Upon the air while thus we deck  
These honored graves of ours."

II. Let no grave of a Civil War veteran be left without the flag for which he offered everything in his youth, and let flowers on every grave tell the story of our pride in and love for our comrades. Let us not forget those who served in the Navy and let us cast flowers upon the waters in their memory.

"We are not many, we who stand  
Beside our comrades' graves today,  
Yet, while we live, with reverent hearts  
We'll honor those who went before;  
While, as each comrade called, departs,  
Is reenlisted one name more."

III. As provided by the forty-fifth national encampment, flags shall be placed at half-mast until 12 o'clock noon, at which time bells shall be tolled for 5 minutes, during which time all comrades shall remain standing with uncovered heads, in tribute to their departed comrades.

IV. The national encampment has directed that General Logan's Memorial Day Order and President Lincoln's Gettysburg Address shall be read at all public services on Memorial Day.

## GENERAL LOGAN'S MEMORIAL ORDER

GENERAL ORDER }  
No. 11 }

HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Washington, D. C., May 5, 1868.*

I. The 30th day of May 1868 is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village, and hamlet churchyard in the land. In this observance no form or ceremony is prescribed, but posts and comrades will in their own way arrange such fitting services and testimonials of respect as circumstances may permit.

We are organized, comrades, as our regulations tell us, for the purpose, among other things, "of preserving and strengthening those kind and fraternal feelings which have bound together the soldiers, sailors, and marines who united to suppress the late rebellion." What can aid more to assure this result than by cherishing tenderly the memory of our heroic dead, who made their breasts a barricade between our country and its foes? Their soldier lives were the reveille of freedom to a race in chains, and their death a tattoo of rebellious tyranny in arms. We should guard their graves with sacred vigilance. All that the consecrated wealth and taste of the Nation can add to their adornment and security is but a fitting tribute to the memory of her slain defenders. Let no wanton foot tread rudely on such hallowed grounds. Let pleasant paths invite the coming and going of reverent visitors and fond mourners. Let no vandalism of avarice or neglect, no ravages of time, testify to the present or to the coming generations that we have forgotten, as a people, the cost of a free and undivided republic.



If other eyes grow dull and other hands slack, and other hearts cold in the solemn trust, ours shall keep it well as long as the light and warmth of life remain in us.

Let us, then, at the time appointed, gather around their sacred remains and garland the passionless mounds above them with choicest flowers of springtime; let us raise above them the dear old flag they saved from dishonor; let us in this solemn presence renew our pledges to aid and assist those whom they have left among us as sacred charges upon the Nation's gratitude—the soldier's and sailor's widow and orphan.

II. It is the purpose of the commander in chief to inaugurate this observance with the hope that it will be kept up from year to year, while a survivor of the war remains to honor the memory of his departed comrades. He earnestly desires the public press to call attention to this order, and lend its friendly aid in bringing it to the notice of comrades in all parts of the country in time for simultaneous compliance therewith.

III. Department commanders will use every effort to make this order effective. By command of

JOHN A. LOGAN,  
*Commander in Chief.*

N. P. CHIPMAN.  
*Adjutant General.*

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#### LINCOLN'S GETTYSBURG ADDRESS

Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth upon this continent a new Nation, conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. Now, we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that Nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battlefield of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that Nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this. But, in a larger sense, we cannot dedicate, we cannot consecrate, we cannot hallow this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here have consecrated it far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us, the living, rather to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us, that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain; that this Nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom, and that Government of the people, by the people, and for the people shall not perish from the earth.

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V. Sunday, May 25, will be observed as memorial Sunday. All comrades are urged to attend church services on that day and invite their auxiliary and allied organizations to accompany them.

VI. It is hoped that comrades will visit the schools before Memorial Day at an appointed time, as a reminder of our part in the preservation of the Nation.

VII. Department chaplains are requested to send their reports to the chaplain in chief, Rev. Joshua C. Pearce, 1130 South Grant Street, Denver, Colo., immediately after Memorial Day.

VIII. Saturday, June 14, will be observed as Flag Day. Let all participate, who can, in public exercises on that day.

"A bit of color against the blue.  
Hues of the morning, blue for true,  
And red for the kindling light of flame,  
And white for a nation's stainless fame.  
Oh! fling it forth to the winds afar,  
With hope in its every shining star;  
Under its folds wherever found,  
Thank God, we have freedom's holy ground."

IX. As we watch the struggle across the seas in an ever widening circle we, who have known the bitter price paid for war, offer this prayer:

“Lord, let war’s tempests cease,  
Fold the whole world in peace  
Under thy wings.  
Make all the nations one,  
All hearts beneath the sun,  
Till Thou shalt reign alone,  
Great King of Kings.”

By command of

WILLIAM W. NIXON,  
*Commander in Chief.*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,  
*Adjutant General.*

GENERAL ORDERS  
No. 4  
SERIES OF 1940-41 }

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Memorial Building, Topeka, Kans., April 28, 1941.*

I. The Seventy-fifth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Columbus, Ohio, September 14-19, 1941. The national headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Women’s Relief Corps will be located in the Deshler-Wallick Hotel.

II. The Columbus encampment committee has organized with Gen. John D. Speaks as chairman and Joseph E. Cross as secretary, with offices in the Virginia Hotel. All requests for rooms in hotels or private homes should be addressed to H. M. Swepston, chairman of housing committee, Virginia Hotel, Columbus, Ohio. In asking for reservations, please state the type of room wanted and rate.

III. The following hotels are cooperating with the encampment committee: Deshler-Wallick, Southern, Seneca, Broad-Lincoln, Rol Eddy, Park-View, Aster, Fort Hayes, Chittenden, Virginia, Jefferson, Norwich, Bliss, Park.

IV. National headquarters were moved January 10 from 311 State capitol to the Memorial Building during the sessions of the legislature. We have been invited to return to the capitol as soon as room 311 is vacated by the committee which has been occupying it. All mail will be addressed to Memorial Building until further notice.

V. Comrade J. A. Hamilton, Lansing, Mich., has been appointed quartermaster general, vice A. C. Estabrook, deceased. Money orders and checks should be made payable to quartermaster general, Grand Army of the Republic, and sent to him at Post Office Box 433, State Capitol, Lansing, Mich.

VI. Comrade Theodore A. Penland, Portland, Oreg., has been appointed national patriotic instructor, vice Asa O. Gere, deceased.

VII. Comrade John A. Fogler, Skowhegan, Maine, has been appointed a trustee of the permanent fund, vice A. C. Estabrook, deceased, to serve until the next national encampment.

VIII. Comrades are reminded that no one can hold the funds of a post or department, or sign checks, but a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. The appointment of nonmembers as trustees to handle post or department funds is forbidden.

IX. It again becomes necessary to advise department and post officers that post charters and records cannot be given into the custody of any organization. The law provides that:

“In case of surrender or forfeiture of a charter, the charter, books of record, and posts papers shall be immediately sent to the assistant adjutant general at department headquarters and shall be subject to the disposition of the department encampment. However, any post surrendering its charter, may, if it shall so vote, deposit charter, books of record, and papers with the nearest historical society, public library, or managers of a memorial building within such department, to be kept and preserved by such society, library, or managers of such memorial building. The receipt of such historical society, public library, or managers of a memorial building, deposited with the assistant adjutant general, shall be evidence that the rules and regulations have been complied with.”

From this it will be seen that the charter and records cannot be given to any individual or organization. In making this law the members of the



national encampment were mindful of the fact that historical societies, public libraries, and memorial buildings were lasting institutions and organizations are not, since they are subject to a fluctuating membership and cannot guarantee their own existence for any stated time. Department commanders and department encampments cannot give permission to posts to change this law, nor can the commander in chief, since it is mandatory, until changed by action of the national encampment.

X. The commander in chief wishes to express his thanks and appreciation to his comrades and the members of the Auxiliary and allied organizations for the many gifts, telegrams, letters, and cards of greeting which he received on his ninety-fifth birthday, February 22.

By command of

WILLIAM W. NIXON,  
*Commander in Chief.*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,  
*Adjutant General.*

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#### IN MEMORIAM

Comrade Albert C. Estabrook, quartermaster general and department commander of Michigan, died in office, February 12, 1941, aged 94 years. A native of New York, Comrade Estabrook enlisted September 16, 1864, as corporal in Company E, Twenty-eighth Michigan Infantry, and was discharged December 6, 1865. He joined Post No. 56 of Allegan, Mich., in 1890 and had served continuously as an officer since 1893.

Comrade Estabrook was elected department commander in 1928 and was reelected in 1929 and 1930; was again elected department commander in 1938, and was reelected in 1939 and 1940. In 1935 he was elected senior vice commander in chief and in 1939 was elected trustee of the permanent fund for 2 years. Comrade Estabrook had also served many years as assistant adjutant general of the Department of Michigan. He had steadfastly refused to be a candidate for commander in chief and reluctantly consented last September to accept the office of quartermaster general. He will be missed in his department and in the national encampment.

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Comrade Asa O. Gere, national patriotic instructor and assistant adjutant general of the Department of Kansas, died in office March 2, 1941, aged 94 years. Comrade Gere enlisted May 4, 1864, as private in Company A, One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Illinois Infantry and was discharged September 28, 1864; reenlisted February 15, 1865, as corporal in Company A, One Hundred and Fifty-fourth Illinois Infantry, and was discharged September 18, 1865.

Comrade Gere was elected department commander in 1935 and had served as assistant adjutant general since 1937. He was appointed senior aide-de-camp on the staff of Commander in Chief Rownd in 1938.

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Dr. Overton H. Mennet, past commander in chief, died January 25, 1941, aged 90 years. He was born near Vevay, Ind., March 8, 1850. He enlisted February 15, 1865, as private in Company E, One Hundred and Forty-sixth Indiana Infantry, and was discharged August 1, 1865. At the close of his war service he returned to school and was graduated from the Ohio Medical College in 1874. He practiced medicine and surgery in Columbus, Ind., until he retired in 1910 and moved to Los Angeles, Calif.

Dr. Mennet joined Post No. 13 in Columbus, Ind., and served as commander. When he moved to Los Angeles he transferred to Stanton Post, No. 55, and in 1927 was appointed assistant adjutant general and assistant quartermaster general of the Department of California and Nevada, serving 1 year. In 1933 he was elected department commander; in 1935, junior vice commander in chief; and at Madison, Wis., in 1937 he was elected commander in chief.

Comrade Mennet attended the joint celebration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg in July 1938, and as commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic delivered an able address at the opening ceremonies July 1. On veterans' night, July 2, in response to urgent requests he sang Tenting

Tonight on the Old Camp Ground, accompanied by the Marine Band, thrilling the vast audience, who marveled at such music from a Civil War veteran. Dr. Mennet had a beautiful voice and was ever ready to use his talent for his comrades and the members of the organizations allied with the Grand Army. Those who have attended the funerals of comrades in Los Angeles and vicinity will never forget his singing of Taps. He will be greatly missed by all.

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## ARKANSAS

Comrade Jerrus M. Bryant, department commander and member of National Council of Administration, died in office January 12, 1941, aged 96 years. He had served as department commander since 1938. Comrade Bryant served in the Seventeenth Wisconsin Infantry throughout the war, then enlisted in the Regular Army and was a participant in many battles with the Indians.

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## COLORADO AND WYOMING

Comrade Joseph E. Laycock, elected department commander in 1927, died February 4, 1941, aged 94 years. He served in the Eighth Iowa Infantry and Twenty-fifth Iowa Infantry.

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## DELAWARE

Comrade Thomas Hammonds, assistant adjutant general and member of the National Council of Administration, died in office September 5, 1940, aged 94 years. He enlisted September 12, 1864, as private in Company H, First Delaware Infantry, and was discharged July 20, 1865. Comrade Hammonds was department commander in 1935 and 1936.

Comrade George W. Baker, Sr., department commander, died in office October 18, 1940, in his one hundredth year. He enlisted September 2, 1864, as private in Nield's Independent Battery, Light Artillery (First Delaware Battery), and was discharged June 23, 1865.

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## IDAHO

Comrade Elder Smith, assistant adjutant general, died in office December 26, 1940, aged 93 years. He was elected department commander in 1938. Comrade Smith served 4 years in Company L, Sixteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry.

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## ILLINOIS

Comrade James A. Quigley, assistant adjutant general, died in office July 29, 1940, aged 92 years. He enlisted when 14 years of age in United States Navy as cabin boy and served on U. S. S. *Vermont* and U. S. S. *Hibiscus*. After the war he toured the world as a magician and entertainer.

Jacob Luchsinger, senior vice department commander in 1938, died March 19, 1941, aged 97 years. He enlisted as private in Company A, Sixty-ninth Illinois Infantry, June 4, 1862, and was discharged September 9, 1862.

John Burke, senior vice department commander and member of the National Council of Administration, died in office April 13, 1941, aged 93 years. He enlisted August 8, 1862, as private in Company C, One Hundred and Eighth Illinois Infantry, and was discharged August 5, 1865.

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## MAINE

Comrade Samuel F. Emerson, elected department commander in 1929, died November 8, 1940, aged 99 years. He enlisted in April 1861, in Company H, Third Maine Infantry, serving 3 years, and was in a southern prison for 9 months. He then enlisted in the Regular Army and was discharged November 12, 1867.

Comrade John B. Sawtelle, elected department commander in 1934, died January 30, 1941, aged 96 years. He enlisted with his father in Company F, First



Maine Infantry, as a private, February 1, 1864, and was discharged June 28, 1865.

Comrade Nathan T. Hallowell, senior vice department commander, died February 23, 1941. He enlisted in May 1862, in Company K, First Maine Cavalry, and served until the close of the war.

Comrade Frank J. Savage, elected department commander in 1939, died March 23, 1941, aged 99 years. He enlisted in the Tenth Maine Infantry for 6 months and then enlisted in the First Maine Cavalry, serving 18 months, and was discharged August 6, 1865.

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#### MASSACHUSETTS

Comrade Charles A. Miles, elected department commander in 1939, died December 18, 1940, aged 95 years. He enlisted April 1, 1865, as private in Company D, United States Engineer Corps, and was discharged April 1, 1868, as private in Company E.

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#### MINNESOTA

Rev. George B. Smith, elected chaplain in chief in 1921, died March 8, 1941, aged 99 years. He joined the Grand Army of the Republic in Brooklyn, Iowa, in 1885 and transferred to Post No. 21, St. Paul, Minn., in 1910. He enlisted August 22, 1862, as private in Company K, Fifty-third Pennsylvania Infantry, and was discharged June 5, 1865.

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#### MISSOURI

Comrade W. C. Calland, elected department commander in 1919, died December 2, 1940. He was appointed national patriotic instructor in 1917. Comrade Calland served in an Ohio regiment.

Comrade R. B. Tyler, M.D., department commander and member of the National Council of Administration, died in office April 2, 1941, aged 87 years. He was born March 12, 1854, and enlisted in the United States Navy in 1863 and was assigned to the U. S. *Racer* as second-class boy, promoted to first-class boy and then to cabin steward, serving until the close of the war. Dr. Tyler had previously served as department commander, elected in 1933. We were informed by General Hines, Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, on March 17, that Dr. Tyler was the youngest veteran of the Civil War on the pension roll.

Comrade Stephen Thomas, elected department commander in 1939, died January 27, 1941, aged 99 years. He served in the Twenty-third Missouri Cavalry.

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#### OKLAHOMA

Rev. George B. Gordon, assistant adjutant general, died in office December 13, 1940, aged 94 years. Comrade Gordon left Monmouth College just after his seventeenth birthday and enlisted in Company C, Seventy-seventh Illinois Infantry, and served in the Red River and Mobile campaigns.

Comrade Josiah J. Elliott, senior vice department commander, died January 10, 1941, aged 93 years. He enlisted in 1864 in the Second Colorado Cavalry and served until the close of the war.

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#### SOUTH DAKOTA

Comrade Levi Van Voorhis, department commander, and member of the national council of administration, died in office January 31, 1941, aged 96 years. He had been department commander since 1936. He enlisted in August 1864 as private in Troop L, Third New York Cavalry, and was discharged June 9, 1865.

## VIRGINIA AND NORTH CAROLINA

Comrade Cornelius Garner, department commander since 1934, died in office January 19, 1941, aged 95 years. He enlisted February 15, 1864, in Company B, Thirty-eighth United States Colored Troops, and was discharged January 25, 1867. He had been a member of the Grand Army since 1889.

## WISCONSIN

Comrade Joseph Miller, senior vice department commander, died in office March 25, 1941, aged 95 years. He served in Company A, Thirty-sixth Wisconsin Infantry.

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Memorial Building, Topeka, Kans., May 19, 1941.*

CIRCULAR LETTER  
No. 1

June 1, 1941, national headquarters will be established in our legal headquarters, 1326 Eighteenth Street NW., Washington, D. C. Circumstances have arisen because of which it seems advisable to make this change, and these will be covered fully in my report to the national encampment. Therefore, all communications will be addressed to the commander in chief and adjutant general at 1326 Eighteenth Street NW., Washington, D. C.

The secretary will be able to watch carefully pension legislation in which we are interested and further because of the agitation the past 2 years for a permanent location for national headquarters, it seems wise to determine whether such a plan is workable. The results of this change in our headquarters will show whether it is advisable to have the headquarters and the secretary at such a distance from the commander in chief. Then, if the matter is presented to the encampment, we will be able to state arguments for or against the plan.

By command of—

WILLIAM W. NIXON,  
*Commander in Chief.*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,  
*Adjutant General.*

GENERAL ORDERS }  
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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*1326 Eighteenth Street NW.,  
Washington, D. C., August 8, 1941.*

I. As previously announced in general orders, the seventy-fifth national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Columbus, Ohio, September 14 to 19, 1941.

II. Complete program of meetings and entertainment may be secured on arrival in Columbus.

III. Early in June, Gen. John C. Speaks, for personal reasons, asked to be released as chairman of the encampment committee. Lt. Gov. Paul M. Herbert was appointed chairman and General Speaks became vice chairman. All requests for rooms should be sent to Mr. H. M. Swepston, chairman of housing committee, Virginia Hotel, Columbus, Ohio. In writing for rooms please give name of the organization to which you belong, type of room wanted, and rate you wish to pay. Requests for all other information should be sent to Mr. Joseph E. Cross, secretary, encampment committee, Virginia Hotel, Columbus, Ohio.

IV. No reduced rates have been granted to the national encampment, and department officers are advised to consult their railroad ticket agents for reduced rates for people traveling on a block ticket.

V. National headquarters will be temporarily established in the Deshler-Wallick Hotel, Thursday, September 11.

VI. Patriotic services will be held in all churches in Columbus, Sunday morning, September 14.



VII. Sunday evening, September 14, the annual memorial service of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Memorial Hall, Broad Street, at 8 p. m.

VIII. The following comrades are appointed committee on credentials:

Russell C. Martin, adjutant general, chairman.

Darwin B. Wolcott, assistant adjutant general, Department of California.

Byron W. Joslin, assistant adjutant general, Department of Ohio.

T. B. Williams, assistant adjutant general, Department of Kansas.

C. H. Perry, assistant adjutant general, Department of Minnesota.

This committee will meet in national headquarters, Deshler-Wallick Hotel, Monday, September 15, at 10 a. m.

IX. Assistant adjutants general are requested to obtain at national headquarters a copy of the encampment roll, that any corrections necessary may be made before the meeting of the committee.

X. The executive committee of the national council of administration will meet in national headquarters, Monday, September 15, at 1 p. m.

XI. The national council of administration will meet in suite 1212, Deshler-Wallick Hotel, Monday, September 15, at 2 p. m.

XII. Comrades J. S. Dumser, California and Nevada; J. W. Fogler, Maine; and A. F. Rexroad, Nebraska; members of the national council of administration, will audit the books of the quartermaster general and will report to the council of administration at its meeting on Monday.

XIII. Department commanders, or a detailed representative of each, will report to the chief of staff at national headquarters, Monday, September 15, at 4 p. m., for instructions regarding the parade.

XV. The semiofficial meeting of the national encampment will be held Monday evening, September 15, at 8 o'clock, in Memorial Hall.

XVI. Tuesday evening, September 16, at 8:30 o'clock, Gov. and Mrs. John W. Bricker will tender a reception to the commander in chief and staff in the Ohio State Capitol.

XVII. Wednesday, September 17, the parade of the Grand Army of the Republic will take place at 10 a. m., under the direction of national chief of staff, Thomas Ridenour. The route will be announced in general orders No. 6.

XVIII. Department commanders are advised that women, children, and civilians (except in bands and drum corps) are prohibited from participating in the parade. Parade aides are directed to see that these orders are obeyed.

XIX. All caricatures, impersonations of Lincoln, Uncle Sam, or other characters, and floats of any sort will be excluded from the parade.

XX. No flags or standards, except the National, State, and post flags, will be allowed in the parade and all flags must fly from the staff. Regimental flags and banners will not be allowed.

XXI. The first business session of the encampment will convene in suite 1212, Deshler-Wallick Hotel, Wednesday, September 17, at 1:30 p. m. The second session will convene Thursday, September 18, at 9 a. m.

XXII. Edward C. Skinner, Department of Illinois, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, is appointed officer of the day, and Col. Arthur C. Bennett, Department of Connecticut, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, is appointed officer of the guard, for the national encampment.

XXIII. Wednesday, September 17, a camp fire will be held in Memorial Hall, Columbus, Ohio, at 8 p. m.

XXIV. Department commanders will report to the adjutant general not later than 9 p. m., Tuesday, September 16, the department nominations for national council of administration and committee on resolutions.

XXV. The national headquarters of the auxiliary and allied orders will be located in Columbus as follows:

Deshler-Wallick Hotel: Grand Army of the Republic, Woman's Relief Corps.

Fort Hayes Hotel: Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Southern Hotel: Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Chittenden Hotel: Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

XXVII. The following comrades are appointed committee on rules and regulations and ritual: A. T. Anderson, Pennsylvania; George W. Green, Massachusetts; A. R. Kibbe, Wisconsin; Albert G. Jones, Idaho; L. H. Easterly, Colorado and Wyoming.

XXVIII. The following comrades are appointed to prepare resolutions:

On the death of Quartermaster General A. C. Estabrook: Thomas Ambrose, Illinois, chairman; Martin J. Warner, Michigan; Sylvester S. Patterson, Oklahoma.

On the death of National Patriotic Instructor Asa O. Gere: Dr. John H. Stone, Indiana; J. P. Fair, Kansas; Truman Parsons, Connecticut.

On the death of Past Commander in Chief Overton H. Menneet: Russell C. Martin, California and Nevada, chairman; Ira Stormes, Utah; Frederick Pfister, Ohio.

On the death of Past Commander in Chief C. H. William Ruhe: Robert M. Rownd, New York, chairman; Joseph L. Chapman, Pennsylvania; Jno. Hollingsworth, Missouri.

XXIX. Many queries have been received from several departments as to whether officers or secretaries could be elected for life. The Grand Army law does not allow anyone to be elected or appointed to permanent or life office.

XXX. To correct a misunderstanding, comrades are advised that when a comrade dies during his term of office as department commander, all appointments made by him become null and void, and the senior vice department commander, on becoming department commander, is free to make his own appointments. Such appointments, however, are not for a year but only until the next department encampment. This is, and always has been, the law of the Grand Army of the Republic.

By command of—

WILLIAM W. NIXON,  
*Commander in Chief.*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,  
*Adjutant General.*

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#### IN MEMORIAM

Comrade C. H. William Ruhe, past commander in chief, died in Pittsburgh, Pa., May 20, 1941, aged 91 years. He was born in Pittsburgh, Pa., December 24, 1849, and enlisted as private February 2, 1865, in Company L, Fourth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and was discharged July 1, 1865.

Comrade Ruhe joined Post No. 3 in Pittsburgh, Pa., in 1908. He served as commander of Post No. 3 and in 1920 was elected department commander. In 1934, on the death of Past Commander in Chief Arensberg, he was appointed treasurer of the permanent fund, and at the national encampment in 1935 was elected to fill Dr. Arensberg's unexpired term. In 1936 he was elected commander in chief.

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Sincere sympathy is extended to Mrs. Ruhe, the daughter, son, and grandchildren.

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#### CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA

Comrade Francis R. Young, elected department commander in 1938, died January 4, 1940, aged 94 years. He enlisted August 15, 1862, in Company F, Twelfth West Virginia Cavalry; promoted to corporal, April 20, 1864. He was captured at Winchester, Va., July 24, 1864, and was confined in Lynchburg, Danville, and Libby Prisons; was paroled February 24, 1865, and was discharged June 16, 1865.

Comrade Peter H. Mass, elected department commander in 1926, died August 4,



1940, aged 94 years. He came to the United States from Denmark in 1863 and enlisted in the United States Navy. He served as coxswain on the U. S. S. *North Carolina*, *Tioga*, and *DeSoto*.

Comrade Thomas B. East, junior vice department commander, died in office December 11, 1940, aged 98 years. He enlisted with his father September 30, 1861, in Company H, Fiftieth Illinois Infantry, and was discharged September 8, 1862; he reenlisted December 28, 1863, in Company E, Sixteenth Illinois Infantry, and was discharged July 8, 1865.

Comrade Robert C. Blair, elected department commander in 1939, died April 1, 1941, aged 97 years. He enlisted in Company C, Sixteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, in 1861, and served throughout the war.

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#### DELAWARE

Comrade Henry Banzett, department commander, died in office May 2, 1941, aged 99 years. On the death of Department Commander Owens in 1939, he became department commander. In 1940 he was again elected senior vice department commander and became department commander in October on the death of Department Commander Baker.

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#### IDAHO

Comrade F. J. Titus, senior vice department commander, died in office November 20, 1940, aged 95 years. He had also been department commander in 1923. He served in Company H, One Hundred and Sixtieth New York Infantry.

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#### INDIANA

Comrade Mark A. Patton, senior vice department commander, died in office September 30, 1940, aged 94 years. He served as private in Company H, One Hundred and Fifty-third Indiana Infantry.

Comrade Albert A. Akers, elected senior vice department commander in 1934, died September 4, 1940, aged 95 years. He served as private in Company I, Seventeenth Ohio Infantry.

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#### KANSAS

Comrade W. B. Rhodes, elected department commander in 1933, died February 10, 1941, aged 95 years. He served as private in Company F, Fifteenth Illinois Infantry.

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#### MISSOURI

Comrade William H. Turner, elected junior vice department commander in 1940, died June 8, 1941. He served in Company E, Second Connecticut Heavy Artillery.

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#### NEBRASKA

Comrade John Seberg, elected department commander in 1937, died April 25, 1941, aged 93 years. He enlisted as private, March 7, 1865, in Company H, Twenty-eighth Illinois Consolidated Infantry, and was discharged March 7, 1866.

Comrade Homer S. Woodworth, elected department commander in 1939, died May 19, 1941, aged 98 years. He enlisted as private in Company B, One Hundredth Indiana Infantry, August 15, 1862, and was discharged September 3, 1863.

Comrade John S. Davisson, department commander, died in office May 20, 1941, aged 95 years. He had previously been elected department commander in

1922. He enlisted as private September 22, 1863, in Company I, Ninth Iowa Cavalry, and was discharged as corporal March 15, 1866.

Comrade William H. Coleman, junior vice department commander, died in office July 22, 1941. He enlisted August 31, 1864, and was discharged May 31, 1865.

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#### OHIO

Comrade E. A. Johnson, elected junior vice department commander in 1936, died September 21, 1940.

Comrade W. H. Little, elected junior vice department commander in 1928, died June 10, 1941.

Comrade W. D. Christman, elected junior vice department commander in 1937, died December 2, 1940.

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#### RHODE ISLAND

Comrade Jeremiah D. Hopkins, department commander, died in office April 25, 1941, aged 100 years, 11 months. He enlisted September 1, 1861, in First Rhode Island Infantry; was wounded in the leg at Antietam Creek and was discharged September 17, 1862.

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#### VIRGINIA AND NORTH CAROLINA

Comrade Charles Grandy, department commander, died in office May 11, 1941, aged 99 years. He served in the United States Navy on the U. S. S. *St. Lawrence*.

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#### WEST VIRGINIA

Comrade William Satow, senior vice department commander, died in office June 24, 1941, aged 93 years. He was elected department commander in 1937. He served as private in Company E, First West Virginia Cavalry. He was awarded the Purple Heart for capturing a Confederate flag.

GENERAL ORDERS }  
 No. 6 }  
 SERIES OF 1940-41 } *Deshler-Wallick Hotel, Columbus, Ohio, September 12, 1941.*

TEMPORARY HEADQUARTERS,  
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

I. As previously announced in General Orders No. 5, the parade of the Grand Army of the Republic will take place in Columbus, Ohio, Wednesday, September 17, 1941, at 10 a. m.

II. The parade will be organized by departments, each department under the command of the senior officer of the department present at the encampment. Departments will be assigned to a position in line in order of seniority of date of charter. Each department will promptly take up the line of march as uncovered. Distance between departments will be 60 feet.

III. All comrades who are going to march will assemble in Memorial Hall, Broad Street, promptly at 9 a. m. and the column will move at 10 a. m. sharp.

IV. The formation of the parade will be reported to the commander in chief at 9:45 a. m. by Comrade Thomas Ridenour, chief of staff.

V. A preparatory signal will be given at 9:30 a. m. The signal to start will be given at 10 a. m.

VI. Department commanders will carefully oversee the formation of their respective departments and on the march will maintain a distance of 60 feet between departments. Markers will be placed in Memorial Hall designating the place of formation of each department.

VII. Department commanders must not leave the column after passing the reviewing stand, but will continue with their respective departments to the point of dismissal of the column.



VIII. In passing the reviewing stand colors will not be dipped. Officers will salute by touching the right hand to the brim of the hat and looking toward the reviewing officer. Comrades in ranks will not salute, but will look toward the reviewing officer.

IX. Bands and drum corps will take the time of the preceding musical organization so that the marching column may maintain the same step. All bands will play the entire length of the grandstands.

X. The march will be in common time; the cadence 90 steps to the minute. Bands marching in close proximity will alternate in playing.

XI. The commander in chief will review the column at the reviewing stand at the State Capitol on Broad Street, east of High Street.

XII. It is desired that every member of the Grand Army of the Republic present in Columbus will make an effort to participate in the parade, whether he is in uniform or not, but it is hoped that all will try to appear in the regulation uniform of the order.

XIII. Women, children, and civilians (except bands and drum corps) will be prohibited from participating in the parade, and department commanders are directed to enforce this order in their respective departments. Should any disobey these instructions and enter the parade along the line of march, officers are directed to take them out of line.

XIV. No flags or standards except the national, state, and post flags and standards will be allowed in the parade. Regimental flags and banners will not be allowed. No flags will be allowed in the parade except those flying from the staff.

XV. All caricatures, impersonations of Lincoln or Uncle Sam or other characters, and undignified exhibitions of any kind will be excluded from the parade. Floats of any sort are prohibited.

XVI. National officers and past commanders in chief will ride in automobiles at the head of the column. Automobiles and wheel chairs will not be allowed in the parade in or between departments. Automobiles will be furnished for comrades who are unable to march, and these automobiles will be found on Broad Street at the Tower Building.

XVII. When the column reaches the reviewing stand the commander in chief, national officers, and past commanders in chief will leave the parade and take their places on the stand.

XVIII. National officers, members of the executive committee, and past commanders in chief will report to the chief of staff, Thomas Ridenour, on the lobby floor of the Deshler-Wallick Hotel at 9 a. m. for assignment to automobiles.

XIX. Department commanders will report to room 312, Deshler-Wallick Hotel, at 4 p. m. on Monday, September 15, for instructions regarding the parade.

XX. The line of march will be as follows:

Assembling on Broad Street at Memorial Hall, south on Third Street to Town Street, west on Town Street to High Street, north on High Street to Broad Street, east on Broad Street to point of dismissal.

XXI. The line of march will form as follows:

Police escort.

Grand marshal, Col. Robert Haubrich.

Chief of staff, Col. Wade C. Christy.

Aides, Maj. William A. Drake, Maj. Robert E. Boyd, Lt. Comdr. H. E. Carsey.

United States Marine Band, Capt. William F. Santelmann, leader.

Chief of staff, Grand Army of the Republic, Thomas Ridenour.

Official escort, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Dr. J. Kirkwood Craig, commander in chief. Uniformed reserves under command of Col. Edwin John Prittie, acting chief of staff.

Civil War Musicians.

Commander in chief, Grand Army of the Republic, William W. Nixon; national officers, executive committee, and past commanders in chief in automobiles.

Members of the Grand Army of the Republic who will march will form in the lobby of Memorial Hall as indicated by department standards and will march in order of seniority, as follows:

1. Department of Illinois.
2. Department of Wisconsin.
3. Department of Pennsylvania.
5. Department of New York.
6. Department of Connecticut.
7. Department of Massachusetts.

8. Department of New Jersey.
9. Department of Maine.
10. Department of California and Nevada.
12. Department of New Hampshire.
13. Department of Vermont.
17. Department of Nebraska.
18. Department of Michigan.
19. Department of Iowa.
20. Department of Indiana.
21. Department of Colorado and Wyoming.
22. Department of Kansas.
24. Department of Minnesota.
25. Department of Missouri.
26. Department of Oregon.
27. Department of Kentucky.
28. Department of West Virginia.
30. Department of Washington and Alaska.
31. Department of Arkansas.
33. Department of Utah.
38. Department of Texas.
39. Department of Idaho.
43. Department of North Dakota.
44. Department of Oklahoma.
4. Department of Ohio.

Members of the Grand Army of the Republic in automobiles.

By command of:

WILLIAM W. NIXON, *Commander in Chief*

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,  
*Adjutant General.*

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The military parade which will follow 15 minutes after the parade of the Grand Army of the Republic will be formed as follows:

First division:

Fifth Corps Area Headquarters Troop, Maj. A. J. Hart commanding.  
 Motorized Units General Reserve Depot, Capt. W. P. Wickham commanding.  
 Seven Hundred Fifty-first Tank Battalion, Fort Knox, Ky., Lt. Archie L.  
 Corcoran commanding.  
 Ohio State Guard, Col. Wade C. Christy commanding.

Second division:

Ex-servicemen.  
 United Spanish War Veterans.  
 Veterans of Foreign Wars.  
 American Legion.  
 Disabled American Veterans of the World War.

Third division:

Veterans' Auxiliaries.  
 Fraternal organizations.





# In Memoriam

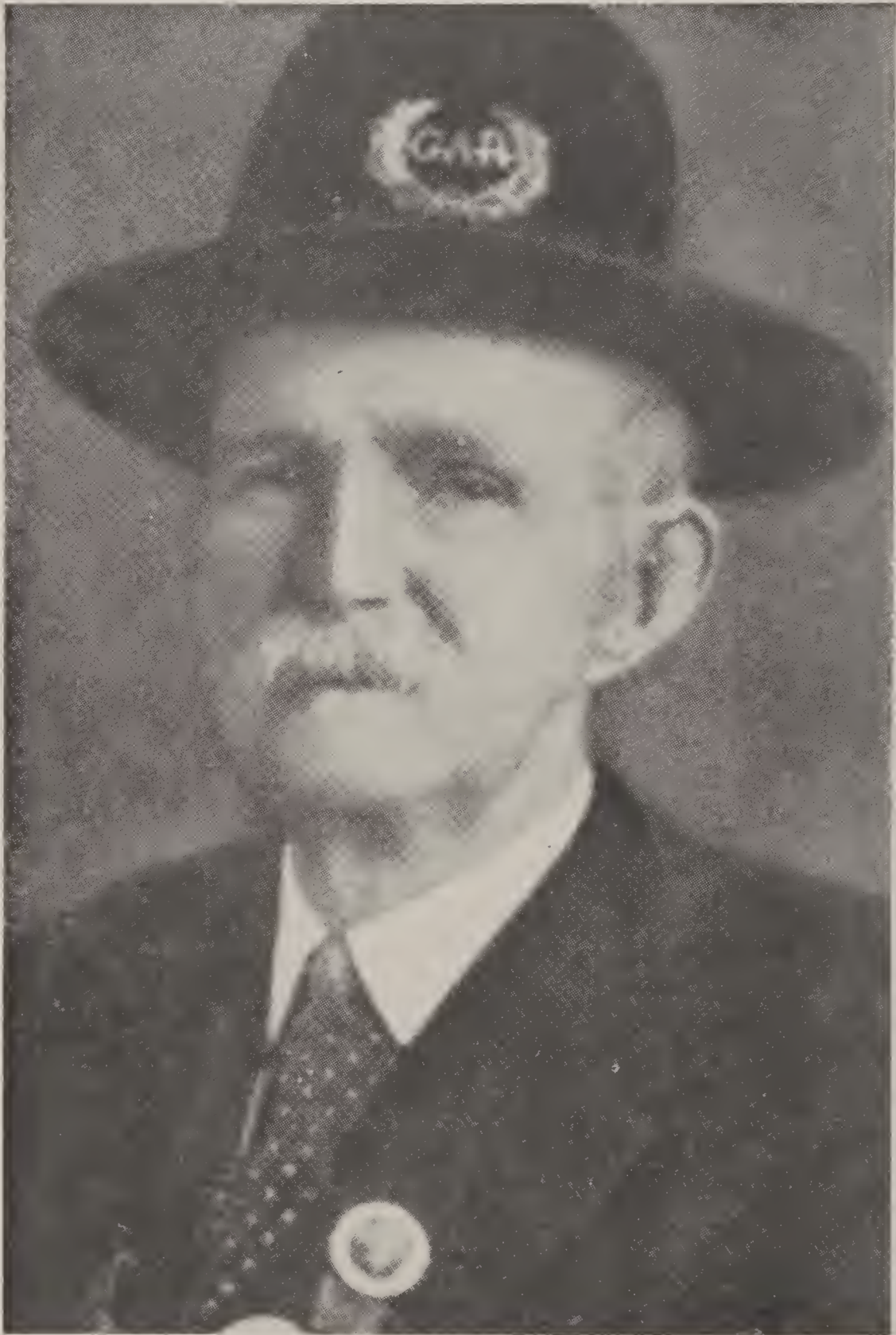




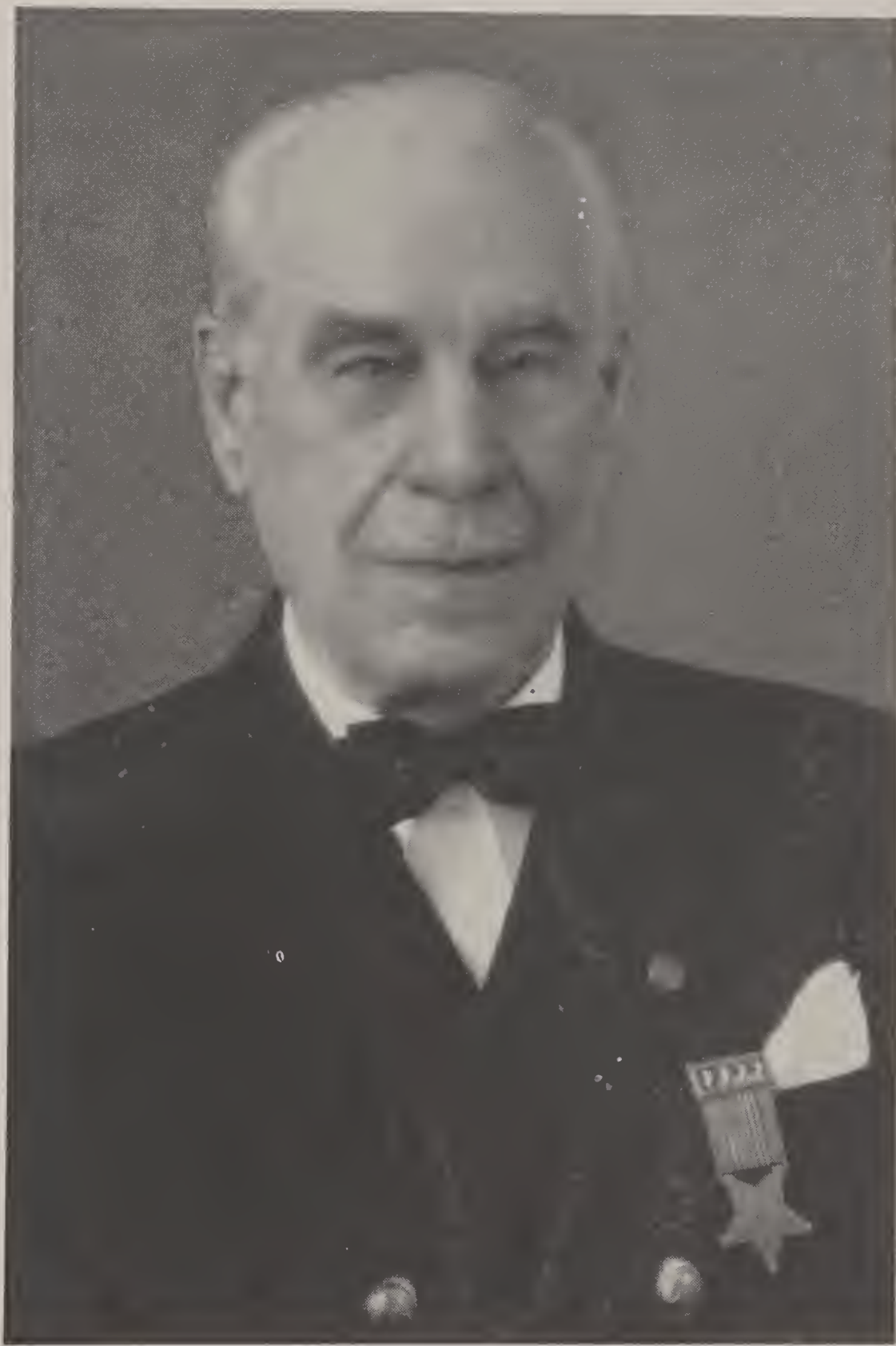


A. C. ESTABROOK  
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL





ASA O. GERE  
NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR



OVERTON H. MENNET  
PAST COMMANDER IN CHIEF





C. H. WILLIAM RUHE  
PAST COMMANDER IN CHIEF

# In Memoriam

## ALBERT C. ESTABROOK

### QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

Our well-beloved comrade Albert C. Estabrook has answered the last roll call. A native of New York, he enlisted September 16, 1864, as corporal in Company E, Twenty-eighth Michigan Infantry, and was discharged December 6, 1865. He joined Post No. 56 of Allegan, Mich., in 1890 and served continuously as an officer since 1893.

Comrade Estabrook was elected department commander in 1928, 1929, and 1930. He was again elected department commander in 1938, 1939, and 1940. In 1935 he was elected senior vice commander in chief, and in 1939 was elected trustee of the permanent fund for 2 years.

He served many years as assistant adjutant general of the Department of Michigan and was made quartermaster general in September 1940.

Known as the "grand old man of Michigan," his passing will be deeply felt by all who knew him and especially in Grand Army circles.

We deplore the loss of our comrade and sympathize with the bereaved family.

*Resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the national secretary to the family of our deceased comrade.

THOMAS AMBROSE,  
MARTIN J. WARNER,  
*Committee.*



# In Memoriam

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## ASA O. GERE

### NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

Comrade Asa O. Gere, national patriotic instructor and assistant adjutant general of the Department of Kansas, died in office March 2, 1941, aged 94 years. Comrade Gere enlisted May 4, 1864, as private in Company A, One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Illinois Infantry, and was discharged September 28, 1864; re-enlisted February 15, 1865, as corporal in Company A, One Hundred and Fifty-fourth Illinois Infantry, and was discharged September 18, 1865.

Comrade Gere was elected department commander in 1935 and has served as assistant adjutant general since 1937. He was appointed senior aide-de-camp on the staff of Commander in Chief Rownd in 1938.

Dr. JOHN H. STONE,  
TRUMAN N. PARSONS,  
*Committee.*

# In Memoriam

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## OVERTON H. MENNET

### PAST COMMANDER IN CHIEF

Dr. Overton H. Mennet, past commander in chief, died January 25, 1941, aged 90 years. He was born near Vevay, Ind., March 8, 1850. He enlisted February 15, 1865, as private in Company E, One Hundred and Forty-sixth Indiana Infantry, and was discharged August 1, 1865. At the close of his war service he returned to school and was graduated from the Ohio Medical College in 1874. He practiced medicine and surgery in Columbus, Ind., until he retired in 1910 and moved to Los Angeles, Calif.

Dr. Mennet joined Post No. 13 in Columbus, Ind., and served as commander. When he moved to Los Angeles he transferred to Stanton Post, No. 55, and in 1927 was appointed assistant adjutant general and assistant quartermaster general of the Department of California and Nevada, serving 1 year. In 1933 he was elected department commander; in 1935, junior vice commander in chief; and at Madison, Wis., in 1937, he was elected commander in chief.

Comrade Mennet attended the joint celebration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg in July 1938 and as commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic delivered an able address at the opening ceremonies July 1. On Veterans' Night, July 2, in response to urgent requests he sang Tenting Tonight on the Old Camp Ground, accompanied by the Marine Band, thrilling the vast audience, who marveled at such music from a Civil War veteran. Dr. Mennet had a beautiful voice and was ever ready to use his talent for his comrades and the members of the organizations allied with the Grand Army. Those who have attended the funerals of comrades in Los Angeles and vicinity will never forget his singing of Taps. He will be greatly missed by all.

RUSSELL C. MARTIN,  
IRA STORMES,  
FREDERICK PFIESTER,  
*Committee.*



# In Memoriam

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ROBERT M. ROWND,  
JONATHAN HOLLINGSWORTH,  
*Committee.*

# In Memoriam

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DEPARTMENT OF ALABAMA

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## COMRADE ALFRED N. OLIVER

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION, DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—  
DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT NOVEMBER 13, 1940

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DEPARTMENT OF ARKANSAS

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## COMRADE JERRUS M. BRYANT

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION, DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—  
DIED IN OFFICE

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER 1938-41

MUSTERED OUT JANUARY 12, 1941

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DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA

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## COMRADE FRANCIS R. YOUNG

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER 1938

MUSTERED OUT JANUARY 4, 1940

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## COMRADE PETER H. MASS

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER 1926

MUSTERED OUT AUGUST 4, 1940

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## COMRADE THOMAS B. EAST

JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT DECEMBER 11, 1940



# In Memoriam

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DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA—Continued

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## COMRADE ROBERT C. BLAIR

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER 1939

MUSTERED OUT APRIL 1, 1941

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DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING

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## COMRADE JOSEPH E. LAYCOCK

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER 1927

MUSTERED OUT FEBRUARY 4, 1941

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DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT

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## COMRADE ANDREW MCGREGOR

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT AUGUST 29, 1940

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DEPARTMENT OF DELAWARE

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## COMRADE THOMAS HAMMONDS

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION, ASSISTANT ADJUTANT  
GENERAL—DIED IN OFFICE

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER 1935; 1936

MUSTERED OUT SEPTEMBER 5, 1940

# In Memoriam

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DEPARTMENT OF DELAWARE—Continued

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## COMRADE GEORGE W. BAKER, Sr.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT OCTOBER 18, 1940

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## COMRADE HENRY BANZETT

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT MAY 2, 1941

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DEPARTMENT OF IDAHO

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## COMRADE ELDER SMITH

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL—DIED IN OFFICE

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER 1938

MUSTERED OUT OCTOBER 18, 1940

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## COMRADE F. J. TITUS

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER 1923

MUSTERED OUT NOVEMBER 20, 1940

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DEPARTMENT OF ILLINOIS

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## COMRADE JAMES A. QUIGLEY

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT JULY 29, 1940



# In Memoriam

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DEPARTMENT OF ILLINOIS—Continued

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## COMRADE JACOB LUCHSINGER

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1938

MUSTERED OUR MARCH 19, 1941

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## COMRADE JOHN BURKE

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION, SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT

COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT APRIL 13, 1941

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DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA

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## COMRADE MARK A. PATTON

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT SEPTEMBER 30, 1940

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## COMRADE ALBERT A. AKERS

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1934

MUSTERED OUT SEPTEMBER 4, 1940

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DEPARTMENT OF IOWA

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## COMRADE MICHAEL HAWK

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1938

MUSTERED OUT NOVEMBER 16, 1940

# In Memoriam

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DEPARTMENT OF KANSAS

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## COMRADE W. B. RHODES

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1933  
MUSTERED OUT FEBRUARY 10, 1941

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DEPARTMENT OF MAINE

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## COMRADE SAMUEL F. EMERSON

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1929  
MUSTERED OUT NOVEMBER 8, 1940

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## COMRADE JOHN B. SAWTELLE

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1934  
MUSTERED OUT JANUARY 30, 1941

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## COMRADE NATHAN T. HALLOWELL

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE  
MUSTERED OUT FEBRUARY 23, 1941

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## COMRADE FRANK J. SAVAGE

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1939  
MUSTERED OUT MARCH 23, 1941

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DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS

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## COMRADE CHARLES A. MILES

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1939  
MUSTERED OUT DECEMBER 18, 1940



# In Memoriam

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DEPARTMENT OF MINNESOTA

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## COMRADE GEORGE B. SMITH

CHAPLAIN IN CHIEF 1921

MUSTERED OUT MARCH 8, 1941

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DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI

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## COMRADE W. C. CALLAND

NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR 1917

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER 1919

MUSTERED OUT DECEMBER 2, 1940

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## COMRADE R. B. TYLER

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER 1933

MUSTERED OUT APRIL 2, 1941

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## COMRADE STEPHEN THOMAS

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER 1939

MUSTERED OUT JANUARY 27, 1941

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## COMRADE WILLIAM H. TURNER

JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER 1940

MUSTERED OUT JUNE 8, 1941

# In Memoriam

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DEPARTMENT OF NEBRASKA

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## COMRADE JOHN SEBERG

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER 1937

MUSTERED OUT APRIL 25, 1941

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## COMRADE HOMER WOODWORTH

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER 1939

MUSTERED OUT MAY 19, 1941

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## COMRADE JOHN S. DAVISSON

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

PREVIOUSLY DEPARTMENT COMMANDER 1922

MUSTERED OUT MAY 20, 1941

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## COMRADE WILLIAM H. COLEMAN

JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT JULY 22, 1941

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DEPARTMENT OF OHIO

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## COMRADE E. A. JOHNSON

JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER 1936

MUSTERED OUT SEPTEMBER 21, 1940

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## COMRADE W. D. CHRISTMAN

JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER 1937

MUSTERED OUT DECEMBER 2, 1940



# In Memoriam

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DEPARTMENT OF OHIO—Continued

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## COMRADE W. H. LITTLE

JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1928

MUSTERED OUT JUNE 10, 1941

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DEPARTMENT OF OKLAHOMA

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## COMRADE GEORGE B. GORDON

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT DECEMBER 13, 1940

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## COMRADE JOSIAH J. ELLIOTT

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT JANUARY 10, 1941

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DEPARTMENT OF RHODE ISLAND

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## COMRADE JEREMIAH D. HOPKINS

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT APRIL 25, 1941

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DEPARTMENT OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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## COMRADE LEVI VAN VOORHIS

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER 1936-41

MUSTERED OUT JANUARY 31, 1941

# In Memoriam

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DEPARTMENT OF VIRGINIA AND NORTH CAROLINA

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## COMRADE CORNELIUS GARNER

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER 1934-41

MUSTERED OUT JANUARY 19, 1941

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## COMRADE CHARLES GRANDY

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER 1927-33; 1941

MUSTERED OUT MAY 11, 1941

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DEPARTMENT OF WEST VIRGINIA

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## COMRADE WILLIAM SATOW

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1937

MUSTERED OUT JUNE 24, 1941

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DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN

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## COMRADE JOSEPH MILLER

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT MARCH 25, 1941





# COMPLETE ROSTER OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

FOUNDED BY DR. BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON, AT DECATUR, ILL.,  
APRIL 6, 1866

BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON, Illinois  
*First commander in chief*

ROBERT MANN WOOD, Illinois  
*First adjutant general*

JOHN M. SNYDER, Illinois  
*First quartermaster general*

No official records of membership prior to 1878.

## FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., NOVEMBER 20, 1866

Headquarters established Springfield, Ill.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	STEPHEN A. HURLBUT, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES B. MCKEAN, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT S. FOSTER, Indiana.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	D. C. MCNEIL, Iowa.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WILLIAM A. PILE, Missouri.
<i>Adjutant general</i> <sup>1</sup> -----	BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	AUGUST WILlich, Ohio.

## SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA., JANUARY 15, 1868

Headquarters established Washington, D. C.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOSHUA T. OWEN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOSEPH R. HAWLEY, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN BELL, Iowa.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. ALONZO H. QUINT, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> <sup>1</sup> -----	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	T. C. CAMPBELL, Ohio.
<i>Inspector general</i> <sup>1</sup> -----	EDWARD JARDINE, New Jersey.



## THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CINCINNATI, OHIO, MAY 12, 13, 1869

Headquarters established Washington, D. C.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOSEPH R. HAWLEY, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	S. B. WYLIE MITCHELL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. ALONZO H. QUINT, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> <sup>1</sup> -----	WILLIAM T. COLLINS, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> <sup>1</sup> -----	TIMOTHY LUBEY, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> <sup>1</sup> -----	FRED A. STARRING, Washington, D. C.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.

## FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C., MAY 11, 12, 1870

Headquarters established in Washington, D. C.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. SAMUEL A. GREEN, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. GEORGE W. COLLIER, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM T. COLLINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	TIMOTHY LUBEY, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	FRED A. STARRING, Washington, D. C.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.

## FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS., MAY 10, 11, 1871

Headquarters established New York City.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	AMBROSE E. BURNSIDE, Rhode Island.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES COEY, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM CUTTING, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

## SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CLEVELAND, OHIO, MAY 8, 9, 1872

Headquarters established New York City.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	AMBROSE E. BURNSIDE, Rhode Island.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. WARREN KEIFER, Ohio.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. SAMUEL A. GREEN, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROSWELL MILLER, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	MILAN B. GOODRICH, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

<sup>1</sup> By amendment to rules and regulations staff officers now appointed.

## SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, NEW HAVEN, CONN., MAY 14, 15, 1873

Headquarters established Boston, Mass.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES DEVENS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN R. GOEBLE, New Jersey.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDWARD FERGUSON, Wisconsin.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HANS POWELL, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. AUG. WOODBURY, Rhode Island.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. B. R. SPRAGUE, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	A. WILSON NORRIS, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

## EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, HARRISBURG, PA., MAY 13, 1874

Headquarters established Boston, Mass.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES DEVENS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDWARD JARDINE, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GUY T. GOULD, Illinois.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HANS POWELL, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. AUG. WOODBURY, Rhode Island.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	HENRY R. SIBLEY, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. B. R. SPRAGUE, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	W. W. BROWN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

## NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHICAGO, ILL., MAY 12, 13, 1875

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN F. HARTRANFT, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. S. REYNOLDS, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES J. BUCKBEE, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN W. FOYE, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. MYRON W. REED, Wisconsin.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	W. F. ROGERS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

## TENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA., JUNE 30, 1876

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN F. HARTRANFT, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. S. REYNOLDS, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES J. BUCKBEE, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOS. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspectors general</i> -----	{ W. F. ROGERS, New York. <sup>2</sup> MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

<sup>2</sup> Resigned on being elected department commander of New York.



**ELEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PROVIDENCE, R. I.,  
JUNE 26, 27, 1877**

Headquarters established New York City.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. ROBINSON, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ELISHA H. RHODES, Rhode Island.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JAMES L. FARLEY, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM COGSWELL, Massachusetts.

**TWELFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SPRINGFIELD, MASS.,  
JUNE 4, 1878**

Headquarters established New York City. Membership, 31,016.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. ROBINSON, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	PAUL VANDERVOORT, Nebraska.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HERBERT E. HILL, Massachusetts.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JAMES L. FARLEY, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM COGSWELL, Massachusetts.

**THIRTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ALBANY, N. Y., JUNE 17, 18, 1879**

Headquarters established National Military Home, Ohio. Membership, 44,752.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN PALMER, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HARRISON DINGMAN, Washington, D. C.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM B. JONES, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ISAAC B. STEVENS, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES W. RAPHUN, Maryland.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. BALDWIN, Ohio.

**FOURTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DAYTON, OHIO, JUNE 8, 9, 1880**

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 60,634.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDGAR D. SWAIN, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE BOWERS, New Hampshire.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. C. HAMLIN, Maine.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	GEORGE B. SQUIRES, New York.

**FIFTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,  
JUNE 15, 16, 1881**

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 85,856.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE S. MERRILL, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES L. YOUNG, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	C. V. R. POND, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	CHARLES STYER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOS. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	GEORGE B. SQUIRES, New York.

**SIXTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BALTIMORE, MD.,  
JUNE 21-23, 1882**

Headquarters established Omaha, Nebr. Membership 134,701.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	PAUL VANDERVOORT, Nebraska.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	W. F. W. ROSS, Maryland.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	I. S. BANGS, Maine.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	AZEL AMES, Jr., Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. I. M. FOSTER, New York.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	F. E. BROWN, Nebraska.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.

**SEVENTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DENVER, COLO.,  
JUNE 25, 26, 1883**

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 225,446.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM WARNER, Missouri.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WALTER H. HOLMES, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	AZEL AMES, Jr., Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. I. M. FOSTER, New York.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN M. VANDERSLICE, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES A. SANTMYER, Ohio.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM VANDEVER, Iowa.

**EIGHTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.,  
JUNE 23-25, 1884**

Headquarters established Toledo, Ohio. Membership, 273,168.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN S. KOUNTZ, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN P. REA, Minnesota.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	IRA E. HICKS, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM D. HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. T. M. SHANAFELT, Michigan.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	W. W. ALCORN, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	OSCAR A. JANES, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	D. R. AUSTIN, Ohio.



**NINETEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PORTLAND, MAINE,  
JUNE 24, 25, 1885**

Headquarters established Washington, D. C. Membership, 294,787.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL S. BURDETT, Washington, D. C.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	SELDEN CONNOR, Maine.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN R. LEWIS, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	J. C. TUCKER, California.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. LEMUEL H. STEWART, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN CAMERON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ARGUS D. VANOSDOL, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	CHARLES H. GROSVENOR, Ohio.

**TWENTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.,  
AUGUST 4-6, 1886**

Headquarters established Madison, Wis. Membership, 323,571.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL W. BACKUS, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDGAR ALLEN, Virginia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	AMBROSE S. EVERETT, Colorado.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. T. C. WARNER, Tennessee.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	E. B. GRAY, Wisconsin.
<i>Quartermaster General</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JACOB M. HUNTER, Ohio.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	HENRY E. TAINTOR, Connecticut.

**TWENTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ST. LOUIS, MO.,  
SEPTEMBER 28-30, 1887**

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 355,916.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN P. REA, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	NELSON COLE, Missouri.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. LINEHAN, New Hampshire.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	FLORENCE DONAHOE, Washington, D. C.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. EDW. ANDERSON, Connecticut.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster General</i> -----	IRA M. HEDGES, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WHEELOCK G. VEAZY, Vermont.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	DANIEL FISH, Minnesota.

**TWENTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, COLUMBUS, OHIO,  
SEPTEMBER 12-14, 1888**

Headquarters established Kansas City, Mo. Membership, 372,960.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM WARNER, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	MOSES H. NEIL, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOSEPH HADFIELD, New York.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	R. M. DE WITT, Iowa.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. STEPHEN G. UPDYKE, Dakota.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	EUGENE F. WEIGEL, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster General</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	GEORGE S. EVANS, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JOHN B. JOHNSON, Kansas.

**TWENTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MILWAUKEE, WIS.,  
AUGUST 28-30, 1889**

Headquarters established Detroit, Mich. Membership, 397,974.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	RUSSELL A. ALGER, Michigan.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	A. G. WEISSERT, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN F. LOVERT, New Jersey.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HORACE P. PORTER, Kansas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. W. H. CHILDERS, Kentucky.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	GEORGE H. HOPKINS, Michigan.
<i>Quartermaster General</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	LEWIS E. GRIFFITH, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	D. R. AUSTIN, Ohio.

**TWENTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS.,  
AUGUST 13, 14, 1890**

Headquarters established Rutland, Vt. Membership, 409,489.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WHEELOCK G. VEAZEY, Vermont.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ RICHARD F. TOBIN, <sup>3</sup> Massachusetts. GEORGE H. INNIS, Massachusetts.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE B. CREAMER, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. MYRON W. REED, Colorado.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	BENJAMIN F. STEVENSON, Kentucky.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOSEPH H. GOULDING, Vermont.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM LOCHREN, Minnesota.

**TWENTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DETROIT, MICH.,  
AUGUST 5-7, 1891**

Headquarters established Albany, N. Y. Membership, 407,781.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN PALMER, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY M. DUFFIELD, Michigan.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THAD. S. CLARKSON, Nebraska.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	BENJAMIN V. STEVENSON, Kentucky.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. S. B. PAINE, Florida.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	FRED PHISTERER, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN F. PRATT, New Jersey.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JOSEPH H. GOULDING, Vermont.

**TWENTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
SEPTEMBER 21, 22, 1892**

Headquarters established Milwaukee, Wis. Membership, 399,880.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	A. G. WEISSERT, Wisconsin.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	R. H. WARFIELD, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	PETER B. AYARS, Delaware.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	W. C. WILE, Connecticut.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. D. R. LOWELL, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	E. B. GRAY, Wisconsin.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	GEORGE L. GOODALE, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES TANNER, New York.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.



**TWENTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,  
SEPTEMBER 6, 7, 1893**

Headquarters established Lynn, Mass. Membership, 397,223.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN G. B. ADAMS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	IVAN N. WALKER, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. C. BIGGER, Texas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	GEORGE R. GRAHAM, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. A. V. KENDRICK, Iowa.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JAMES F. MEECH, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ANDREW M. UNDERHILL, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	LEO RASSIEUR, Missouri.

**TWENTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PITTSBURGH, PA.,  
SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1894**

Headquarters established Rockford, Ill. Membership, 369,083.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS G. LAWLER, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	A. P. BURCHFIELD, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES H. SHUTE, Louisiana.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	O. W. WEEKS, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. T. H. HAGGERTY, Missouri.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	C. C. JONES, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	C. V. R. POND, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	MATT H. ELLIS, New York.

**TWENTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, LOUISVILLE, KY.,  
SEPTEMBER 11-13, 1895**

Headquarters established Indianapolis, Ind. Membership, 357,639.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	IVAN N. WALKER, Indiana.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. H. HOBSON, Kentucky.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	S. G. COSGROVE, Washington.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	J. B. WHITING, Wisconsin.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. THOMAS C. ILIEF, Utah.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	IRVIN ROBBINS, Indiana.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. J. BURBANK, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALFRED DARTE, Pennsylvania.

**THIRTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ST. PAUL, MINN.,  
SEPTEMBER 3-4, 1896**

Headquarters established Omaha, Nebr. Membership, 340,610.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	THAD. S. CLARKSON, Nebraska.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN H. MULLEN, Minnesota.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES W. BUCKLEY, Alabama.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. E. JOHNSON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. MARK B. TAYLOR, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CHARLES E. BURMESTER, Nebraska.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. J. BURBANK, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES A. SUYDAM, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALBERT CLARK, Massachusetts.

### THIRTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BUFFALO, N. Y., AUGUST 25-27, 1897

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 319,456.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN P. S. GOBIN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED LYTH, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	FRANCIS B. ALLEN, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	DAVID MCKAY, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. FRANK C. BRUNER, Illinois.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ALONZO WILLIAMS, Rhode Island.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

### THIRTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CINCINNATI, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 5, 6, 1898

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 305,603.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commanders in chief</i> -----	{ JAMES A. SEXTON, <sup>2</sup> Illinois. W. C. JOHNSON, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ W. C. JOHNSON, Ohio. DANIEL ROSS, Delaware.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	DANIEL ROSS, Delaware.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. S. PIERCE, Nebraska.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. DANIEL LUCAS, Indiana.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	FRED W. SPINK, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ALONZO WILLIAMS, Rhode Island.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

### THIRTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA., SEPTEMBER 6, 7, 1899

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 287,918.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ALBERT D. SHAW, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	IRVIN ROBBINS, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	MICHAEL MINTON, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. BAKER, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JACOB L. GRIMM, Maryland.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	EDWARD J. ATKINSON, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	NATHAN P. POND, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

### THIRTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHICAGO, ILL., AUGUST 29, 30, 1900

Headquarters established St. Louis, Mo. Membership, 276,612.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LEO RASSIEUR, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. C. MILLIKEN, Maine.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	FRANK SEAMAN, Tennessee.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN A. WILKINS, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. AUG. DRAHMS, California.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	FRANK M. STERRETT, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	HENRY S. PECK, Connecticut.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES H. WOLFF, Massachusetts.

<sup>2</sup> Died in office.



**THIRTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CLEVELAND, OHIO,  
SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1901**

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 269,507.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN McELROY, Washington, D. C.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES O'DONNELL, Illinois.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM R. THRALL, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. THOMAS N. BOYLE, Philadelphia.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	SILAS H. TOWLER, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	W. A. WETHERBEE, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	HENRY M. DUFFIELD, Michigan.

**THIRTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
OCTOBER 9, 10, 1902**

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 263,745.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES P. AVERILL, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. W. ACHESON, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. D. B. SHUEY, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN W. SCHALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	F. A. WALSH, Wisconsin.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.

**THIRTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SAN FRANCISCO,  
CALIF., AUGUST 20, 21, 1903**

Headquarters established in Chicago, Ill. Membership, 256,510.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. BLACK, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	C. MASON KINNE, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HARRY C. KESLER, Montana.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	GEORGE A. HARMON, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WINFIELD SCOTT, Arizona.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CHARLES A. PARTRIDGE, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ERWIN B. MESSER, Iowa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES TANNER, New York.

**THIRTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS.,  
AUGUST 17, 18, 1904**

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 247,340.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commanders in chief</i> -----	{ WILMON W. BLACKMAR, <sup>3</sup> Massachusetts. JOHN R. KING, Maryland.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ JOHN R. KING, Maryland. GEORGE W. PATTEN, Tennessee.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ GEORGE W. PATTEN, Tennessee. E. B. STILLINGS, Massachusetts.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WARREN R. KING, Indiana.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. H. BRADFORD, Washington, D. C.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN E. GILMAN, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	LEE S. ESTELLE, Nebraska.
<i>Judge advocates general</i> -----	AMOS M. THAYER, <sup>3</sup> Missouri. OSCAR L. MOORE, Kansas.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

### THIRTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DENVER, COLO., SEPTEMBER 7, 8, 1905

Headquarters established Washington, D. C. Membership, 232,455.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES TANNER, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE W. COOK, Colorado.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	SILAS H. TOWLER, Minnesota.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HUGO PHILLER, Wisconsin.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. F. LEARY, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN TWEEDALE, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	FRANK BATTLES, New Hampshire.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	M. J. CUMMINGS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	CHARLES A. CLARK, Iowa.

### FORTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., AUGUST 16, 17, 1906

Headquarters established Zanesville, Ohio. Membership 235,823.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT B. BROWN, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM H. ARMSTRONG, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. B. FENTON, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	W. H. JOHNSON, Nebraska.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rt. Rev. JOHN IRELAND, Minnesota.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	THOMAS W. EVANS, Missouri.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	FRANK L. CAMPBELL, Washington, D. C.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WARREN LEE GOSS, New Jersey.

### FORTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y., SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1907

Headquarters established Kansas City. Membership, 229,932.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES G. BURTON, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LEWIS E. GRIFFITH, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	W. M. SCOTT, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	G. LANE TANEYHILL, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rt. Rev. SAMUEL FALLOWS, Illinois.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JEREMIAH T. DEW, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	L. W. COLLINS, Minnesota.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WARREN LEE GOSS, New Jersey.

### FORTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, TOLEDO, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 1908

Headquarters established Jersey City, N. J. Membership, 225,157.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY M. NEVIUS, New Jersey.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. KENT HAMILTON, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES C. ROYCE, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	G. LANE TANEYHILL, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOHN F. SPENCE, Tennessee.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	FRANK O. COLE, New Jersey.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. HORNADAY, Oklahoma.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	Rt. Rev. SAMUEL FALLOWS, Illinois.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.



**FORTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH,  
AUGUST 12, 13, 1909**

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 220,600.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL R. VAN SANT, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM M. BOSTAPH, Utah.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. LEMON, Kansas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. DANIEL RYAN, Indiana.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	GEORGE O. EDDY, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM F. CONNER, Texas.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	RUSSELL R. PEALER, Michigan.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	JOHN B. LEWIS, Massachusetts.

**FORTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.,  
SEPTEMBER 22, 23, 1910**

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 213,901.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN E. GILMAN, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM JAMES, Florida.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN L. SMITH, M. D., Washington.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. THOMAS HARWOOD, New Mexico.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	EPHRAIM B. STILLINGS, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	HENRY Z. OSBORNE, California.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	J. S. HOAGLAND, Nebraska.

**FORTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ROCHESTER, N. Y.,  
AUGUST 24, 25, 1911**

Headquarters established Chicago, Ill. Membership, 203,410.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	HARVEY M. TRIMBLE, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	NICHOLAS W. DAY, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM A. OGDEN, Kansas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. JOHN D. HANRAHAN, Vermont.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. WYNNE JONES, Maryland.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CHARLES R. E. KOCH, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN H. MCCLAY, Nebraska.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indiana.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	JOHN B. LEWIS, Massachusetts.

**FORTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, LOS ANGELES, CALIF.,  
SEPTEMBER 9-14, 1912**

Headquarters established Bridgeport, Conn. Membership, 191,346.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY Z. OSBORNE, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	AMERICUS WHEDON, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. L. L. WHITTAKER, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. GEORGE E. LOVEJOY, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	HENRY J. SEELEY, Connecticut.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	J. PAYSON BRADLEY, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	BENJAMIN F. BRYANT, Wisconsin.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minnesota.

### FORTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHATTANOOGA, TENN., SEPTEMBER 18, 19, 1913

Headquarters established Detroit, Mich. Membership, 180,227.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WASHINGTON GARDNER, Michigan.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS H. SOWARD, Oklahoma.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	{ WILLIAM L. ROSS, <sup>3</sup> Maine.
	{ A. S. FOWLER, Arkansas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	J. K. WEAVER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. HORACE M. CARR, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	OSCAR A. JANES, Michigan.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	LEVI S. WARREN, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	P. H. CONEY, Kansas.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minnesota.

### FORTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DETROIT, MICH., SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 1914

Headquarters established at Des Moines, Iowa. Membership, 171,335.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	DAVID J. PALMER, Iowa.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ JOSEPH B. GRISWOLD, <sup>3</sup> Michigan.
	{ W. F. CONNER, Texas.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ W. F. CONNER, Texas.
	{ OSCAR A. JANES, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. LEWIS S. PILCHER, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. ORVILLE J. NAVE, California.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	GEORGE A. NEWMAN, Iowa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES E. BEACH, Vermont.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	HARRY WHITE, Pennsylvania.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	CYRUS A. BROOKS, Colorado.

### FORTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C., SEPTEMBER 30 AND OCTOBER 1, 1915

Headquarters established at Cincinnati, Ohio. Membership, 159,853.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ELIAS R. MONFORT, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE H. SLAYBAUGH, Washington, D. C.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LE VANT DODGE, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. REUBEN A. ADAMS, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. BENJAMIN F. CLARKSON, Mary- land.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	Dr. JOHN M. ADAMS, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	PATRICK H. CONEY, Kansas.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indiana.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	URIAH SEELY, New Jersey.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

<sup>4</sup> Resigned.



FIFTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, KANSAS CITY, MO., AUGUST 28  
TO SEPTEMBER 2, 1916

Headquarters established at Pittsburgh, Pa. Membership, 140,074.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	W. J. PATTERSON, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM H. WORMSTEAD, Kansas City.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. K. RUSS, New Orleans, La.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. HANNA, Aurora, Ill.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. O. S. REED, Manzanola, Colo.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	H. H. BENGOUGH, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspceter general</i> -----	CHARLES H. HASKINS, California.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	RALZEMOND A. PARKER, Michigan.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	URIAH SEELY, New Jersey.

FIFTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS.,  
AUGUST 20-25, 1917

Headquarters established at Indianapolis, Ind. Membership, 135,931.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ORLANDO A. SOMERS, Kokomo, Ind.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN L. CLEM, Atlanta, Ga.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN M. VERNON, Chicago, Ill.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN M. ADAMS, Cincinnati, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. C. H. FRADY, Helena, Mont.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	THOMAS H. BROWN, Sioux Falls, S. D.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	SMITH STIMMEL, Fargo, N. Dak.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WILLIAM C. CALLAND, Springfield, Mo.

FIFTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PORTLAND, OREG.,  
AUGUST 18-24, 1918

Headquarters established at Lincoln, Nebr. Membership, 120,916.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CLARENDON E. ADAMS, Omaha, Nebr.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN G. CHAMBERS, Portland, Oreg.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHAS. H. HABER, National Home, Va.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	CHESTER M. FERRIN, Burlington, Vt.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. PHILIP A. NORDELL, Boston, Mass.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ALBERT M. TRIMBLE, Lincoln, Nebr.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspceter general</i> -----	THOMAS H. BROWN, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	GEORGE D. KELLOGG, Newcastle, Calif.

**FIFTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, COLUMBUS, OHIO,  
SEPTEMBER 7-13, 1919**

Headquarters established at Brooklyn, N. Y., later removed to Columbus, Ohio. Membership, 110,357

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	{ JAMES D. BELL, <sup>3</sup> Brooklyn, N. Y.
	{ DANIEL M. HALL, Columbus, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ DANIEL M. HALL, Columbus, Ohio.
	{ CHARLES B. WILSON, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ CHARLES B. WILSON, Los Angeles, Calif.
	{ ISIDORE ISAACS, New York, N. Y.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	STEPHEN I. BROWN, Knox, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. W. W. GIST, Cedar Falls, Iowa.
<i>Adjutants general</i> -----	{ ISIDORE ISAACS, New York, N. Y.
	{ JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, Columbus, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES C. TAYLOR, Newark, N. J.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	HOSEA W. ROOD, Madison, Wis.

**FIFTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,  
SEPTEMBER 19-25, 1920**

Headquarters established at Indianapolis, Ind. Membership, 103,258.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE A. HOSLEY, Boston, Mass.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. E. GANDY, Spokane, Wash.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	C. W. BURRILL, Kansas City, Mo.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM A. BOSWORTH, Wichita, Kans.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	MAHLON D. BUTLER, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	Dr. M. W. WOOD, Boise, Idaho.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	SMITH STIMMEL, Fargo, N. Dak.

**FIFTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,  
SEPTEMBER 25-29, 1921**

Headquarters established at Brooklyn, N. Y. Membership, 93,171.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	Dr. LEWIS S. PILCHER, Brooklyn, N. Y.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY A. JOHNSON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. MARSHALL W. WOOD, Boise, Idaho.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. GEORGE B. SMITH, Minneapolis, Minn.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM C. PECKHAM, Brooklyn, N. Y.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	RICHARD A. SABLE, San Francisco, Calif.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minneapolis, Minn.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.



**FIFTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DES MOINES, IOWA,  
SEPTEMBER 24-29, 1922**

Headquarters established at Des Moines, Iowa. Membership, 85,621.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	C. S. BRODBENT, San Antonio, Tex.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CRAVEN V. GARDNER, Rapid City, S. Dak.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	GEORGE TRYON HARDING, M. D., Marion, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. H. EPPLER, Gary, Ind.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN P. RISLEY, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	Dr. MARSHALL W. WOOD, Boise, Idaho.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	JOHN M. WILLIAMS, California, Mo.

**FIFTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MILWAUKEE, WIS.,  
SEPTEMBER 2-8, 1923**

Headquarters established at Van Wert, Ohio. Membership, 76,126.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	GAYLORD M. SALTZGABER, Van Wert, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	FRANK A. WALSH, Milwaukee, Wis.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE T. LEECH, Baltimore, Md.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	C. W. BURRILL, Kansas City, Mo.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	CHARLES L. SHERGUR, Union Spring, N. Y.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ANDREW S. BURT, Van Wert, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	OTTO SHIMANSKY, Sandusky, Ohio.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	CHARLES O. BROWN, Oak Park, Ill.

**FIFTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS.,  
AUGUST 10-15, 1924**

Headquarters established at Philadelphia, Pa. Membership 65,382.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS D. ARENSBERG, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, Boston, Mass.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN REESE, Broken Bow, Nebr.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. JOSEPH E. HALL, Portland, Oreg.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. CHAS. W. BLODGETT, Cincinnati, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	GEORGE T. LEECH, Baltimore, Md.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minneapolis, Minn.

**FIFTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.,  
AUGUST 30 TO SEPTEMBER 5, 1925**

Headquarters established at Springfield, Ill. Membership 55,817.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN B. INMAN, Springfield, Ill.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	OSCAR A. JANES, Detroit, Mich.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM O. ALLEN, Newark, N. J.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. JOHN GILBERT, Fall River, Mass.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WILLIAM P. MCKINLEY, Lebanon, Ind.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	HENRY B. DAVIDSON, Springfield, Ill.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, <sup>3</sup> Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ISAAC COLE, Maplewood, N. J.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minneapolis, Minn.

**SIXTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DES MOINES, IOWA,  
SEPTEMBER 19-25, 1926**

Headquarters established at Milwaukee, Wis. Membership, 47,179.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	FRANK A. WALSH, Milwaukee, Wis.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	A. G. BEATTY, Independence, Iowa.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	C. H. HASKINS, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. C. W. BURRILL, Kansas City, Mo.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. ROBERT H. HILL, Albany, N. Y.
<i>Adjutants general</i> -----	{ CHARLES H. HENRY, <sup>4</sup> Eau Claire, Wis. CHARLES KAYSER, <sup>3</sup> Milwaukee, Wis. GEORGE W. MORTON, Berlin, Wis.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	C. D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. G. COCHRAN, Sullivan, Ill.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	FRANK DAGLE, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	SMITH STIMMEL, Fargo, N. Dak.

**SIXTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.,  
SEPTEMBER 11-16, 1927**

Headquarters established in State Capitol, Sacramento, Calif. Membership, 38,801.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ELBRIDGE L. HAWK, Sacramento, Calif.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CALVIN A. BRAINARD, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL E. MAHAN, St. Paul, Minn.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. HENRY A. JOHNSON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, National Military Home, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WM. H. NOLL, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	C. D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JOHN REESE, Broken Bow, Nebr.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WALTER L. FUNK, Grand Rapids, Mich.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	CHARLES W. BLODGETT, Cincinnati, Ohio.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

<sup>4</sup> Resigned.



### SIXTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DENVER, COLO., SEPTEMBER 16-21, 1928

Headquarters were established in Broken Bow, Nebr. Membership, 32,614.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN REESE, Broken Bow, Nebr.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES E. JEWEL, Fort Morgan, Colo.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY J. KEARNEY, New York, N. Y.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. S. W. HOPKINS, Lodi, Calif.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, National Military Home, Ohio.
<i>Adjutants general</i> -----	{ THOMAS J. SMITH, <sup>4</sup> McCook, Nebr. MELVIN K. HAGADORN, Broken Bow, Nebr.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	W. C. CALLAND, Springfield, Mo.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	CHARLES W. BLODGETT, Cincinnati, Ohio.

### SIXTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PORTLAND, MAINE, SEPTEMBER 8-13, 1929

Headquarters established in Worcester, Mass. Membership, 26,219.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	EDWIN J. FOSTER, Worcester, Mass.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	C. E. NASON, Gray, Maine.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. W. SHIELDS, Boise, Idaho.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, Newton, Mass.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. NOLL, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	C. W. BLODGETT, Cincinnati, Ohio.

### SIXTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CINCINNATI, OHIO, AUGUST 24-28, 1930

Headquarters established at Fort Morgan, Colo. Membership, 21,080.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES E. JEWEL, Fort Morgan, Colo.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JACOB SECREST, Cincinnati, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES H. LEWIS, Pawtucket, R. I.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. HENRY HILTON WOOD, Long Beach, Calif.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	{ DAVID N. HEIZER, <sup>4</sup> Colorado Springs, Colo. ABRAHAM L. EMIGH, Fort Morgan, Colo.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	{ COLA D. R. STOWITS, <sup>3</sup> Buffalo, N. Y. EDWARD HURLEY, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	SAMUEL M. HENCH, Fort Wayne, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. NOLL, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	ROBERT W. HILL, Albany, N. Y.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

<sup>4</sup> Resigned.

### SIXTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DES MOINES, IOWA, SEPTEMBER 13-18, 1931

Headquarters established at Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 16,578.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	OLEY NELSON, Slater, Iowa.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. SAMUEL A. CAMPBELL, Mattoon, Ill.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JESSE B. BARTLEY, Omaha, Nebr.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WASHINGTON F. HAMERIGHT, Lancaster, Pa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	EDWARD HURLEY, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JOHN REESE, Broken Bow, Nebr.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	IRA R. WILDMAN, Danbury, Conn.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	JOHN F. PICKERILL, Seattle, Wash.

### SIXTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SPRINGFIELD, ILL., SEPTEMBER 18-24, 1932

Headquarters established at Chicago, Ill. Membership, 13,066.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commanders in Chief</i> -----	{ WILLIAM P. WRIGHT, <sup>3</sup> Chicago, Ill.
	{ RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
	{ CHARLES E. JONES, Tuscaloosa, Ala.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ CHARLES E. JONES, Tuscaloosa, Ala.
	{ ARTHUR DAWSON, Oak Park, Ill.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CALVIN A. BRAINARD, Waukegan, Ill.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	EMMET F. TAGGART, Akron, Ohio.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	HENRY B. DAVIDSON, Springfield, Ill.

### SIXTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ST. PAUL, MINN., SEPTEMBER 17-22, 1933

Headquarters established at Los Angeles, Calif. Membership, 10,138.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ THOMAS H. PEACOCK, <sup>3</sup> Minneapolis, Minn.
	{ EDWIN H. LINCOLN, Pittsfield, Mass.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ EDWIN H. LINCOLN, Pittsfield, Mass.
	{ JOHN E. ANDREW, Quincy, Ill.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. A. B. GARRETT, Gallipolis, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	DARWIN B. WOLCOTT, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	T. M. KELLOGG, Portland, Oreg.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	J. S. DUMSER, Oakland, Calif.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.



### SIXTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ROCHESTER, N. Y., AUGUST 12-18, 1934

Headquarters established at Syracuse, N. Y. Membership, 7,807.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED E. STACEY, Elbridge, N. Y.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HARDING I. MERRILL, Wichita, Kans.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE H. POUNDER, Fort Atkinson, Wis.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfords- ville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CALVIN A. BRAINARD, Jackson, Mich.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	M. H. DAVIDSON, Louisville, Ky.
<i>National patriotic instructors</i> -----	{ HENRY B. DAVIDSON, <sup>3</sup> Springfield, Ill. C. PERRY LOMAX, <sup>3</sup> Lincoln, Nebr.

### SIXTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., SEPTEMBER 8-14, 1935

Headquarters established at Des Moines, Iowa. Membership, 6,244.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	OLEY NELSON, Slater, Iowa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	A. C. ESTABROOK, Grand Rapids, Mich.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	OVERTON H. MENNET, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. A. B. GARRETT, Gallipolis, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN P. RISLEY, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	SAMUEL P. TOWN, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES C. THOMAS, Chicago, Ill.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WILLIAM F. DORSEY, Washington, D. C.

### SEVENTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C., SEPTEMBER 20-26, 1936

Headquarters established at Pittsburgh, Pa. Membership, 4,391.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	C. H. WILLIAM RUHE, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY F. RUSSELL, Alliance, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS AMBROSE, Chicago, Ill.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. KING GIBSON, Dayton, Ohio
<i>Adjutant General</i> -----	{ JOHN LITTLE, <sup>3</sup> Pittsburgh, Pa. GEORGE SANDS, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Quartermaster General</i> -----	{ SAMUEL P. TOWN, <sup>3</sup> Philadelphia, Pa. SAMUEL S. FOWLER, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ROBERT M. ROWND, Ripley, N. Y.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	J. W. CARROLL, Lisbon, N. Dak.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

**SEVENTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MADISON, WIS.,  
SEPTEMBER 5-10, 1937**

Headquarters established at Los Angeles, Calif. Membership, 3,325.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	OVERTON H. MENNET, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY HELD, West Allis, Wis.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT M. ROWND, Ripley, N. Y.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. MARTIN V. STONE, Jamestown, N. Y.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	SAMUEL S. FOWLER, Philadelphia, Pa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	R. H. HOFFMAN, Denver, Colo.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	RUSTAN O. REED, Seattle, Wash.

**SEVENTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DES MOINES, IOWA,  
SEPTEMBER 4-9, 1938**

Headquarters established at Ripley, N. Y. Membership, 2,443.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT M. ROWND, Ripley, N. Y.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	FRANK L. QUADE, Dubuque, Iowa.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN W. CARROLL, Lisbon, N. Dak.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	{ Dr. A. B. GARRETT, <sup>2</sup> Gallipolis, Ohio. Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOSHUA C. PEARCE, Denver, Colo.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	{ MARTIN V. STONE, <sup>2</sup> Jamestown, N. Y. JOSIAH C. READ, <sup>2</sup> New York, N. Y. GEORGE SANDS, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	{ EDWIN H. LINCOLN, <sup>2</sup> Pittsfield, Mass. JOHN E. ANDREW, Quincy, Ill.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	THOMAS AMBROSE, Chicago, Ill.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	TRUMAN N. PARSONS, Stratford, Conn.

**SEVENTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PITTSBURGH, PA.,  
AUGUST 27 TO SEPTEMBER 1, 1939**

Headquarters established at Springfield, Ill. Membership, 1,701.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	{ JOHN E. ANDREW, <sup>2</sup> Quincy, Ill. A. T. ANDERSON, Washington, Pa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	{ A. T. ANDERSON, Washington, Pa. W. W. NIXON, Jewell, Kans.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	{ W. W. NIXON, Jewell, Kans. WILLIAM H. MCCOY, Trenton, N. J.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOSHUA C. PEARCE, Denver, Colo.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	THOMAS AMBROSE, Chicago, Ill.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	M. H. DAVIDSON, <sup>2</sup> Louisville, Ky.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	{ JAMES W. WILLETT, <sup>2</sup> Tama, Iowa. T. J. NOLL, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	O. S. PIERCE, Minneapolis, Minn.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	Dr. JOHN H. STONE, Kokomo, Ind.

<sup>2</sup> Died in office.



**SEVENTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SPRINGFIELD, ILL.,  
SEPTEMBER 8-13, 1940**

Headquarters established at Topeka, Kans. - Membership, 1,039.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	W. W. NIXON, Jewell, Kans.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS AMBROSE, Chicago, Ill.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	RUSTAN O. REED, Seattle, Wash.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOSHUA C. PEARCE, Denver, Colo.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	{ A. C. ESTABROOK, <sup>2</sup> Grand Rapids, Mich. J. A. HAMILTON, Lansing, Mich.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS J. NOLL, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOSEPH B. HENNINGER, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	{ ASA O. GERE, <sup>2</sup> Stafford, Kans. T. A. PENLAND, Portland, Oreg.

**SEVENTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, COLUMBUS, OHIO,  
SEPTEMBER 14-19, 1941**

Headquarters established at Springfield, Ill. Membership, 763.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE A. GAY, Nashua, N. H.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS RIDENOUR, Crestline, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN S. DUMSER, Oakland, Calif.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. EDWARD H. COWAN, Crawfordsville, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOSHUA W. PEARCE, Denver, Colo.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	RUSSELL C. MARTIN, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	J. A. HAMILTON, Lansing, Mich.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS J. NOLL, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	LEWIS H. EASTERLY, Gunnison, Colo.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	GEORGE W. GREEN, Jamaica Plain, Mass

<sup>2</sup> Died in office.

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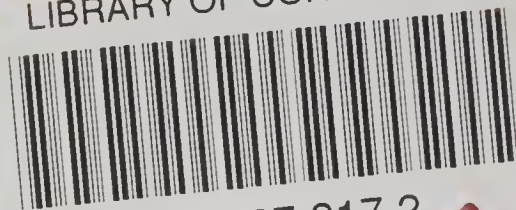
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